Letters

of

Shri Babuji Maharaj

OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 1 Shahjahanpur
No. 2043/SRCM Date : 03-03-1955

Dear Brother,

Received your letter dated 21-02-1955. The books as required are sent per V.P.P. I perfectly agree with you that books are not of much avail to us in matters of realization. They only point out to us something which it is for us alone to practice and follow. But to follow the practices given in books is again a hard job and often dangerous too. It is only the personal help and support of a true and worthy guide that really counts. We have, therefore, to seek such a one if we aim at success.

For the answer of all your questions. I refer you to preface of the "EFFICACY OF RAJAYOGA". As regards the restlessness of mind I recommend you to read minutely the pages 36 to 42 of "REALITY AT DAWN" which deals with this very topic.

I shall ever be exceedingly glad to help you on as well as any and everybody, over the right path to realisation if they are really earnest about it. Hoping to hear from you further in the matter.

Brotherly yours, Ram Chandra

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Serial No. 2 Shahjahanpur
No. 2114/SRCM Date : 11-04-1955

Dear Brother,

Thanks for your kind letter. I am glad to know that you are making a close study of the "EFFICACY OF RAJAYOGA". There is no branch or center at present in Southern India. A few members that are there are scattered at different places and it is not possible for them to meet at one place. But that offers no obstruction in the path of one craving for reality.

You can start the practice at your own, for which I can give you necessary instructions and be transmitting to you from this place; but for the sake of proper training and rapid progress, personal contact is absolutely necessary. You are always welcome to my humble dwelling and (it would be better) the earlier you find out an opportunity for it at least for about a week, the better it is.

The Book "Commentary on the Ten Commandments of Sahaj Marg" is in Urdu. It deals with the dynamical relation between God and man. If you are acquainted with the language, it may be sent to you.

The process to follow is as under :

Sit for meditation in the morning for say about half an hour in the beginning and think that Divine Light is present in your heart. Do this in quiet and simple and natural way without forcing your mind to it. Never mind if you do not actually see the light there. Start with a mere supposition so to say, and remain sitting in a meditative mood (in one posture as far as possible) with your inward

eyes turned towards the heart in the most natural way without trying to force yourself to concentrate. In the evening sit in the same manner for the same duration and think that all inner complexities and grossness are going out from your back-side in the form of smoke or vapors. Please write to me when you start the practice.

The book "Reality at Dawn" is available in Southern India from Mrs. Higgin Bothams, Mount Road, Madras. Those who wish to purchase it may demand it from them. They have their stalls at all important stations. When you leave for summer vacations, please intimate to me your home address.

Yours affectionately,
Ram Chandra

P.S: Before going to bed, devote some time to prayer sitting in a suppliant mood.

"O Master! Thou art the real goal of human life.

We are yet but slaves of wishes, putting bar to our advancement.

Thou art the only God and Power to bring me up to that stage."

Repeat the words once or twice in your mind, then begin to meditate over its true sense and then try to get lost in it. This is a real method of prayer and greatly beneficial.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 3 Shahjahanpur
No. 2155/SRCM Date : 08-05-1955

My Dear Brother,

Received your kind letter dated 25th April, '55. I thank you very much for the donation of Rs.50/- to the Mission. I think it would have been far better if you would have spared it for the journey from your place to Shahjahanpur.

Please try to be regular in Abhyas and devote half an hour at least in the morning and in the evening as directed in my letter No.2114/SRCM dated 11th April, 1955. I forgot to write the prarthana to be done at bed time. I am giving it as below :

Fickle-mindedness has become the part and parcel of our lives because we have directed the individual mind to adopt the same course. The case was not so with us when we came for the first time into the world. The surrounding environment and the habits affected it very much. It is we who have spoiled it, and now it rests upon us to bring it round the proper form. For this very reason we meditate so that individual mind may leave its wandering habits and come to the righteousness.

As long as you do not find an opportunity to see me here, please stick to your Abhyas rigidly. I will be helping you from this place. Make it a point to inform your condition fortnightly. When you meditate on the heart do not try to concentrate but meditate only. There is a philosophy behind it which I am not going to write in this letter for want of time. Concentration is the result of meditation. I have discussed this thing in "Reality at Dawn".

When you come to me, please intimate your arrival beforehand. I am also giving the address of my residence. My house is in Moh: Dewanjog Raj (Near Carewgunj). Some of the Tonga and Rickshaw drivers do not know it by this name. For them the hint that it is near Rang-Mohalla or Carewgunj is sufficient. There is a police out-post and a public well by the roadside near the Carewgunj Tonga-Stand. From the stand a road leads north way just parallel to the Railway

line. The same lane after taking two turns will bring you to the front of the house which faces west. It is about three miles from the Railway Station.

My father late Sri Badri Prasad (Rai Bahadur) was a pleader and Special Magistrate, I Class. His name can also help you in finding our house.

Prayer

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Repeat the words once or twice in your mind and then begin to meditate over its true sense and then try to get lost into it. This is a real method of prayer and greatly beneficial. As you are acquainted with Urdu language, I am also giving its translation in Urdu.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 4 Shahjahanpur
No. 2198/SRCM Date : 04-06-1955

My Dear Brother,

With reference to my letter No.2155/SRCM dated 08-05-1955, I regret to say that no reply has yet been received. Please let me know whether you have received it or not.

With best wishes.
Yours affectionately,
Ram Chandra

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Serial No. 5 Shahjahanpur
No. 2220/SRCM Date : 15-06-1955

My dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your letter. While writing the events of your life, you have written, "you need not read further if you have no leisure". Leisure, I do have; because I have attained leisure even with myself. Regarding the problem of time, as all this is for the welfare and betterment of God's creation; all this time is yours only. The event which you have written do normally happen but when one comes to the conclusion which is the real goal (aim) of our life, there should be no worry regarding the past, but the attention must be fully directed to attain the Goal. Now by the grace of God your inclination is towards this. This must be strengthened. And the kicks received from the past events should be considered as the canings of the teacher to bring us to the right line and we should be grateful for it.

Now, if I write that I can bring you into a good spiritual life, it may not be entirely correct to say, because of the fact that there, the question of bringing does not arise. Here we only need to get established in reality; and your thought has helped to that extent, already. Now, you have certainly gathered those things for it, which may take you to the goal by becoming the food on the pilgrimage. Such being the case, in other words, you have the aim in your view. Now the arrow has to be shot at the mark. For this, the thought itself becomes the arrow and the heart the bow, provided you have applied the power behind for the support; and what support! But the very guide. Now you are aware of the guide

and certainly of the Destination; and nothing else remains except these, for the thought to get attached with That. And when the attachment becomes such that, it is utterly indiscernible as to what is attached and where, your consciousness of the body will drop off, and the very thing remains which we may call as pure consciousness. Then you will no more feel that you are the body. The method for this can be only that which I have written above. The only clarification which I wish to make is that you should take the help of such a guide who convey your arrow up to the target. And it is also necessary that you should not take the impressions of the bodily effects upon your heart. And when this is done, no further sanskars will be formed for the future and the previous sanskaras, after having been dried and burnt, will show their slight effects. I think that this short letter will be a satisfactory reply to your whole letter. To attain all those things the only prescription is "cut off from this and connect with That". And for this the method of meditation which I have already written to you and I hope that now you shall try to be regular in (practicing) it. Now the question about my services to you remains. I am ready to do whatever I am able to do. I request you to take that service from me. Nay – but compel me to do such service. In other sense, whatever trust I have got, it is for you people only. Hence it will be easy also to take your own things from me. That trust is whatever my revered Master has given me so that I may distribute it among you. For this purpose alone, he has kept it with me as the trust. As long as you do not get an opportunity to see me, you think that I am already there with you and so create the absorbency in yourself.

I am really worried to know about your illness. But what to do ? Nobody is free from this. No doubt, it is necessary that we should take the treatment so that we may live in peace; but along with this we should keep up the treatment of such a doctor, by which we may get rid of all these ailments forever. Now, as regards chronic appendicitis, the doctors advice of operation as its treatment is all right. I have heard of being cured even by homeopathic medicines. One Dr. P. Sen from Calcutta who is an able doctor and a Professor in a Medical College and is our Satsangi too, is staying with me at present. I consulted him. According to

him, the operation is not at all dangerous. In case you like to take homeopathic treatment and if no capable doctor is available at your place, shall I consult Dr. Mukarjee at Lakhimpur Kheri, who is a competent homeopathic doctor and a Satsangi also?

I am sending the book "Sahaj Marg Ke Das Usoolon Ke Sharah" by parcel post. You need not send the cost.

The Commandments which have been translated in Hindi, I am sending a Hindi Copy also. Read them again and again and show it to your friends whoever are interested in it. I am also sending five copies of the constitution and Bye-Laws. Please distribute the same according to the requirement.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 6 Shahjahanpur
No. 2266/SRCM Date : 06-07-1955

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your letter. It gave me great pleasure. Some lover is beginning to think of this insignificant being; is it a small thing now? The very nature of my services can be such as to make your heart to seek and create longing. Please wait for this (effect) and I too shall be waiting. Peace (comfort) is transmitted from heart to heart. If you have not yet started the meditation, you shall do so now. May God bless you. I do not want to tell about myself, because in the olden days, mere telling took Mansoor to the hangman's gallows. Now,

although those days are no more, yet it can be that people may start to measure me with a sight which they could not develop with which I could be measured I hope you will find out the reality by measuring with the balance of your heart after carefully reading the above statement. Dear Brother, when you have given room for my correspondence it will be regrettable thing to discard the writer. As soon as you form the will, the action automatically starts; Edio Motor Action. Do pray, and try to get drowned into it to such an extent as though a beggar is holding out his begging bowl but is unaware to beg. If you create such a condition your prayer shall be answered and the work will surely be done. Try to sob and weep in love. If real tears do not come, let them be even artificial and see the result. What more happiness there can be for me than the fact that the thought to serve the Mission is created in your heart? Even this thought will work to augment your spiritual progress. I am really pained to read your thought; "May be I remain unbenefited by you even till last". It can never be that by thinking of the cool river your mind and heart will not feel the coolness. If not now, even this much is sufficient to make you feel by the grace of God. If you find that you are unable to do the meditation, which I do not believe, there can be even other methods. I consider this to be my weakness and not yours. Please come here for at least once. What you want to attain is so easy that, I think, there can be nothing else easier than this. Therefore, dear Brother, do step in this field now so that my statement can be verified. Even if for nothing, please do this for the sake of experiment only. If you can do nothing else just imagine, "I myself am drowned in your thought", while moving about or while at leisure. Neither this is any (method of) worship (puja) nor is there any (ritualistic) compulsion. You have written, "Please tell me the method as to how the impressions of the effects of the body may not be taken upon the heart and how to withdraw the senses inwards taking them away from their objects". All these things come by the meditation which I have told you. And my work too consists in creating such condition by transmission. There are even some points which if pressed by thought, can create such conditions very quickly. But you should help me at least a little so that I may use those methods; otherwise they will be considered as very early before this. It is possible for the pure self to silence the mind and all

the senses in an instant. But, dear Brother, this method is risky and it can be used only for the advanced ones and in very exceptional and special cases. Man's originality can be regained in an instant with this method. Well, this is all by way of pleasantry. I do hope that in your next letter, I find such good news which may be heartening to me and it will be heavenly reward also for you. It is said : "One heart is better than thousands of Kabas (pilgrimages centres)".

The Urdu Book which I have sent has been written from a very higher sort of super-conscious state where the reality is revealed only through vibrations. And in it, you will find originality right from the beginning till the end. This is my masterpiece. Read it again and again. You will find each word and each sentence commendable and when you begin to understand, I am sure, you will be greatly pleased. Show it to others also and let your friends read it. If you want more copies, they can be sent from here. Forget about the cost. This is yours only and you alone have written it. To get the benefit from the book is as good as paying its cost to the author. It is virtue to become good oneself and guide others also to become good.

Best wishes to children.
Your well-wisher,
Ram Chandra

P.S.: "Reality at Dawn" and "Efficacy of Raja Yoga" are the books of the Mission in English. If interested persons want to purchase any of these, they can be sent from here or can be had from Mrs. Higgin Bothams, Madras, whose stalls are at almost all big stations. Please try that these books come to the notice of as many people as possible; even this is in a way service to the Mission.

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Serial No. 7 Shahjahanpur
No. 2288/SRCM Date : 25-07-1955

My dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your letter dated 13th July. I have written good wishes for yourself and for your children also and you have thanked me for the same. This is my duty. Please be thinking of me to be your well-wisher always.

Thank God that you think about this insignificant being at your leisure times only. This shows that you are a man of love (devotion); and this alone is the living thing. Everywhere this alone is effective and the surest means to attain God is this only. What more do I require than this? When you have this, I must also do some service to you. So, dear Brother, I have started to do some spiritual service to you. You should have felt it. If for this service you have sacrificed a little by taking up the Abhyas (Practice), you shall certainly take up this Abhyas, but the sooner the better it would have been.

It is very good that you like "to have the Darshan of Mahapurushas (Great Saints)". But my sincere wish is that you had started to have the Darshan of yourself alone. You have written, "I do not want originality instantaneously because it cannot be endured"; then, dear Brother, leave this to me only. The principle is also that the (spiritual) journey is performed gradually stage by stage. If I neglect to take into account your capacity itself, what training can I give? Please do not be afraid of this. Neither there is the question of leaving the hearth and home nor is there any danger to life. You have written "I surrender myself to you" and again "I doubt whether I can fully do it or not". Leave off the doubt. You have already surrendered. When the thought of cooperation springs up in the heart of the Abhyasi, he has already come on the first step of surrender and after this there are many other signs which I shall write again as and when required. You have quoted the passages from the book (commentary on Ten

Commandments of Sahaja Marg) and that too with deep feeling. These questions do not arise after surrendering. I have written that book as I have stated, from a special state. Therefore, make up your mind with courage and may God help you so that you too may go in that state, the state where Reality is revealed only through vibrations then you can understand it very well. And this is not at all a difficult thing. Step in the spiritual field with a strong determination for realization and see whether you get the realization or not. You have written putting forth the excuse of the sense of responsibility. "This very thing is hindering me". Dear Brother our principle is that we should have both this world and that, side by side. My Master was the ideal for it, and I am also there, in whatever way I am. To go and dwell in the forests leaving off the children is not Vairag (Renunciation) but to carefully discharge of all the duties without straining the heart, is the real Vairag. The complexity which you have written to get solved from me; its answer is in short; either you have not loved anybody or you have not come across one who loved you. Hence you feel ashamed to get tears. Another reason is that you still look to others, hence the shame to have the tears to come out. But may I ask you whether you do not feel ashamed to love? Most probably not, because it is the business of the Heart and love really comes by selling away the heart. I shall be very happy if you accept my services and it will give me great pleasure to see you in person.

Love to children.
Your well-wisher,
Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 8 Shahjahanpur
No. 2326/SRCM Date : 11-08-1955

Dear Brother,

Blessings. I am often late in writing replies to letters; the reason is that lot of correspondence has to be answered. Therefore, whenever there is delay in the reply of any letter think that the word 'apology' is also there along with it. We have become puppets in this dancing house and have been dancing by ourselves and we alone are pleased with it. We got lost in this charm to such an extent that we have remained entangled in it pretty firmly. Even if the thought of getting out of it comes, this entanglement has become too compelling a bondage. Now we want to get out of it but the bondage has become too strong. We make up our mind to get rid of it; but our efforts go in vain, because this alluring charm has taken up such form of pleasantry that we are unable to take away our attention from its attraction. The way to get out of it can be when we consider its reality as the shadow of the Reality and when we take our thought to its cause or ultimate, that is, when our view goes to its originality. Our view can be there when we bring into our thought its originality again and again. This is called constant remembrance. To create this, the method can be the (practice of) meditation. And when we start doing it the help will automatically start coming from that source. When you begin to get linked up with it, this charm will automatically begin to get shattered.

It is good that you have made up your mind, but to fulfill it also is in your hands alone. If we take a deep impression of the greatness of the Reality and Truth on our heart, it can never be that we may not start the meditation of it. It is natural that one who is burnt by fire, when he sees water, helplessly runs into it regardless of the fact that the effect of the water will be to create boils on the body. Just this very thing should be there in our nature; so that we may drown ourselves just like this to attain the Truth and Reality. But, dear Brother, this can be completely possible when we begin to feel the burning sensation of the fire. The wish is that you may get success in your intention and may God grace it to be, so that your thought also may get inclined towards it.

Just step in this side and see that the complex of love is automatically

solved. Are not the lives of Bhakta Sur Das and Meera Bai fully answering to your complex? You feel ashamed to bring out tears because they are coming due to artificial emotion. If your heart had tasted it (the taste of love), you would also have preached to others that to melt away in love only is the real reward of life. I shall be greatly delighted if you give me the pleasure of your meeting. I have already given you the address of home and I have been giving my address in every letter.

Best wishes to children.
Well-wisher,
Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 9 Shahjahanpur
No. 2366/SRCM Date : 30-08-1955

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your two letters of 13 and 16 Aug. on the same day and at the same time. In one letter it was written “please make me yours and take me to be yours only”. I am trying to do this very thing that you may become mine only and I am already yours. You wish to bring into your spiritual experiences such a thing which is the end of every activity. It is just like a child saying, “Let me first understand the thoughts of Milton and Shakespeare and afterwards I shall start to learn ABCD”; or just like a seeker of Truth saying “let me first realize the God and then I shall start to worship Him”. When the very thing which is being sought comes before you, who can ever ask you to worship it? He alone can climb upon the ladder of progress who has created in himself the condition of lowliness. You are right according to your thought, “unless I have the real experience, I cannot be said to have full conviction”. For this, please create in

yourself those things so that you may have the real experience which you are seeking. No doubt you believe in the Grace; but Reality cannot be attained by this belief nor can it be called grace in the real sense. I consider that alone to be Grace of the Lord Almighty when he takes him (the abhyasi) across to a perfect guide. Now it depends upon your grace to take work from him. Regarding this, please search out and see whether His Grace has come into action or not. Without the practice if you try to divert his will towards yourself, your will alone will come to you and you shall have only the heaps of fancies and the crowding of thoughts as your share. And I say, if you remain like this only, that it shall be one the elegy of spirituality.

In one of your letter you have written something which means "when I experience such a condition which creates peace in me, I can think that you are doing something for me". What can I say for this? Just think deeply and see in contemplation and link up your thought somewhat with it, then it is possible to understand something. Otherwise it is just like Farhad (the lover) is tired and exhausted of continuous stone breaking and Sheereon (the beloved) is enjoying such a rare and deep sleep that she cannot even feel the crawl of the louse.

You have promised that you shall start the Puja. Well, I console myself with this very belief and the promise that you are going to start it sometime at least. I am reminded of a story – A saint happened to pass through a jungle. The saint was very well known. A shepherd asked him "when shall I have the Darshan of Ishwar". The saint informed "After a thousand Janmas (lives)." The shepherd became very happy to know that he is going to have the Darshan at least. You may think of me to be similar. I am now happy that you are going to at least fulfill your promise, let it be any time.

The English quotation which you have written pertains to the problem in philosophy. If I start writing my views on it, it may take pages after pages. Therefore, I leave it by writing only this much "You will hardly find any stone lying on the street that is fit for the building purpose."

You are a gentlemen, I am quite certain of it. So, if someone requests you to do something for him, by doing which, there is no loss to you. I think, you will certainly do it. It is the human duty also. Hence, I request you, and I hope you will accept my request. I am greatly benefited by it and it shall not at all put you to any loss. The request is; you are not doing puja and I too do not do the puja (in a way in which I tell you to do), hence, both myself and yourself are equally sinners. You are asking me, "I should feel something so that I may start Puja." Since I do not do the Puja, I request you to think continuously for half an hour that I am meditating upon God in the same way which is the method of my Master and which I have told you. Dear Brother, can't you do at least this much for me ? It is a sacred work. I do hope that you will definitely accept my request. Whatever you have written about your peevishness; these are just like the ripples of the ebbs and tides in the sea. When the water becomes calm these things do not come.

"O! Thou weeping heart, behold by diving deep in your own waves.

Thou alone shall be there, (and) neither the river nor the banks".

Best Wishes to children.
Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 10 Shahjahanpur
No. 2406/SRCM Date : 25-09-1955

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your two letters dated 12th Sept and 19th Sept. I am

immensely pleased to read them. Really I say that if I have not started to like you, it is as if the Divine love has not begun in me yet. I am happy to read your thought that you believe in the Grace of saints. It is really so. The belief comes only when correspondingly the same thing is there at the bottom and this gets intensified, when one begins to feel his own weakness. Its effect is also that the heart can no longer tolerate the complexities of one's own making. God has given us only that which is in Him and we retained that alone which we have created by our own effects. Our efforts were those with which we have been creating complexities in our thoughts by continuously observing the world. This has taken the form of entanglement to such an extent that we have completely forgotten that, which had been bestowed upon us originally. And we started to exclaim, "Whatever has been given, is by God alone." If God had given us all these things, I think, none among us would have thought of looking forward for His Mercy. All the religions have got this hope upon His Mercy. Many Ayats (verses in Holy Quran) are there in Muslims regarding this, for example (La Taqanwataman Rahmatullah" (never lose faith in the Mercy of God) and the Bible also testifies this fact.

You have enquired about the ebbs and tides. The reply is that these are definitely natural. These get reduced when your nature changes and gets connected with spirituality. Regarding the answer to the question as to whether I can forecast the future events, I have to submit that when it is the wish of the Master and He shows me something I get some inkling of the future events. And we should remain content with His wish. This comes within the circle of the human etiquette and the principle of devotion also is this. And if I ask Him about anything according to my wish we can no longer say that we are surrendered to His wish (Will). Now please tell yourself as to what reply I can give you except that when it is your wish and there is attraction in me, which also is left to you, then "My beloved shall come to me bound and dragged by the raw yarn".

You have asked me to help you. Are you not yet sure that my prayer is for your good alone? I always wish that everyone should lose himself and become

mine. And this alone is my aim. That is the reply to your letter of 12th Sept. Now I come to reply your letter of 19th Sept. which can be only an exclamation of joy. Even the very pen wants to bow down, what to talk of me, what a glad news; May God gives you steadiness. Wherever there is light I fall upon it like a moth and wherever there is the hope for light I wish to become a moth there. Now you may guess by yourself about my condition. It is not necessary to do the Puja sitting in Padmasan etc. in our system. These are Asans of Hat Yog. In whatever posture you can sit comfortably, that only will be suitable. The meditation should be done upon the Heart and it is not necessary to see on the nose or the brow. The Meditation has to be done with eyes closed. There is no harm in doing meditation lying on an easy chair even, but to sit respectfully before the Master alone is real devotion (and surrender). While at the time of puja it is better to do it by sitting unless there is any compulsion. You may do the meditation but cleanliness should be looked to. If there is the necessity to take bath you should sit for meditation only after taking bath. Just conceive that there is Divine Light in the heart. Do not force your imagination of light to such an extent as to try to actually see its dazzle. You should fix your attention on the heart just like a cat sitting waiting for the rat, and the literal meaning of Muraquba (the Urdu word for meditation) is this alone. This creates absorbency and you shall realize the light by the grace of God as well; and this simple method alone will do everything. The whole philosophy of it is in my view, but I am refraining from writing it to save time as much as possible; and these things (philosophical descriptions) will give only mental pleasure and not eternal bliss. Rest assured I am doing the services to the full extent of your capacity. Now you are awakening from your deep sleep. It is probable that your heart may feel the hard mountain breaking labour of Farhad (a lover) but this is slightly ahead.

Best wishes to children.
Your well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 11 Shahjahanpur

No. 2434/SRCM Date : 12-10-1955

Dear Brother,

Peace be with you. Your loving letter dated 1st October, to hand and I read its contents. Thank God that you have started the Puja (meditation). Otherwise I would have considered it to be my own weakness and would have thought, “The fragrance of the love of nightingale (Bulbul) has not yet reached its beloved flower”.

When you have started the meditation, I am quite certain that “the eye of the bubble will certainly see the face of water”. Amen. May God give you perseverance and steadiness. You have written “Another force takes hold of my body pushing away these forces, and makes me to do the abhyas (practice) of meditation”. Thank God that you have begun to receive my transmission or the effect of my prayers and you may consider this as a good omen for the progress. When so much is done, there is no reason why you should not taste the (condition of) absorbency and why you should not feel the light.

Rest assured that the diseases will not enter into the disciple by transmission; this is my experience as well as my Guru’s. On the other hand, it has been observed that many of the diseases go away by the purification of the system.

You are quite at liberty to show my letters to your friends and who ever want to start the practice. Show them the method and inform me. And those of your friends, who are now inclined to start the abhyas, do tell them the method and let them start it. And when they start to do all likewise inform me and send their names and addresses.

I am hereby writing a short reply to the question in philosophy which you have asked. If it is not enough please write so that I may dilate upon it in future. The principle is “every action whether of mind or of the body will produce some effect good or evil”. It means that there is definitely the effect upon the five senses. Now, the lighter the mental pleasure the less is its effect and to the same extent is its bondage. (But I request you not to give thought towards this).

The definition of true realization is that unchanging condition is created. And this condition is such that once in thousands of years it is bestowed upon some saint. But if one gets the guide who has attained it and if the Abhyasi is quite interested and earnestly seeking, it becomes easy. As long as there is the question of ‘is’ (existence) there is no complete realization. Therefore, it follows that even bliss too is a drawback. But, dear Brother, do not be afraid of this. It is such a fine condition that whomsoever God has blessed with it, he is prepared to undergo even the cutting of his body to pieces but will not like to part with this condition. I think that this much is sufficient for your satisfaction.

Now, you have asked about some events of my life. They are so many, that it can take the form of a goodish book. But all these are related to spirituality. I shall, however, write two or three things; I got the urge for the realization of God at the age of nine. At the age of fourteen I developed a fancy for philosophy. I did not read books because of (the fear of) the creation of borrowed ideas. I started the practice of Pranayama at the age of sixteen and was searching for a guide in my heart; and I had been praying for it making myself fit for it and acting on the principle; “deserve only, desire nothing”. I also formed the conviction in my heart that when I start in search of the Guru the attraction of the Guru itself will start to operate and whomsoever I might go I would make him Guru. Fate came friendly and God brought to me that day in my 22nd year. And when I got the Guru I kept away the books and resolved in my heart that after all the problems of religion are solved and all the spiritual knowledge came by itself without reading, I would start seeing books for the refreshment of thought. God helped me even in this also. Therefore, after having written some books I have started to

read to learn the style of expression and to while away the time. I shall be at Allahabad from 23rd October 1955 to 28th October, 1955 and my address then would be C/o. Hon'ble Mr. Justice M.L. Chaturvedi, NO.3, Tej Bahadur Sapru Road, Allahabad, U.P.

Best wishes to children.
Yours well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 12 Shahjahanpur
Date : 30-10-1955

MESSAGE

Dear ones,

It is with the feeling of deep pleasure that I found an opportunity of sending my message to you through my associate, Raghavendra Rao. It may be the shortest message, but it has gushed out from the deep core of my heart with love and affection.

The soul is longing to feel its characteristic which has gone out of sight, and this insignificant being is seeking his fellow pilgrims to march on the path of freedom. The desire I am longing to get the fellow-travelers is only for the sake of rendering service, for the sake of safe arrival at the destination. The idea may look foreign to you in the first sight. But if you pause a little to consider the problem or the destination, you will surely come to the conclusion that you are sailing towards your own home where from you have been snatched away by the

irony of fate.

When we use the phrase “Irony of fate” the idea of unbalance in character presents itself in our memory. As long as there was the balanced state we had no form of our own. We have simply to unfold ourselves and to restore the balance of our own which we had lost.

How simple it looks when we say that we have restored our balance; it is of course very simple thing, but it becomes very difficult to follow; because with the unbalanced state we have created the intricacies. We always like to seek our own way or to solve our problem of life through the difficult methods so prevalent in our country. That is why disappointment and frustration is the result. They draw oil from the fatty substance, that is, from those who are swelled in the material knowledge, but not from the bones where the phosphorus is present to illuminate the particles, however, solid they may be. The difficulty then becomes greater in the struggle.

Adopt easy means to get the easy things. The dogmas can do you no good. It is the practical thing which will weave your destiny under a guide who has measured the distance and has found its original source.

There are such men in India who can very easily guide you to the destination so near and dear to us. But the selection you will have to make yourself, for which I give you a few words to guide you in the search. Where you find the idea of service with no selfish motive of the guide, there the thing rests. One more thing to consider is that one who can fomentate you with the internal Divine power to make your task easy is the capable hand for the Divine knowledge. To get such a man is the sure sign that the problem of life will be solved without doubt. I must pray for you all that the seekers may get such a guide. Amen.

I think, it remains now little on my part for the prayers for the high spiritual elevation provided you get such a man as your guide as said above, But as I am duty bound I must say, “May you all see the light of the day”. All this message has

been bubbled up with love from the bottom of my heart for our most dear ones.

Ram Chandra.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 13 Shahjahanpur
No. 2467/SRCM Dated : 01-11-1955

Dear Brother,

Blessings. By the Grace of God you might have reached your house safely. Your firm resolve has at last taken you there. Just like this, in order to reach our Real Home (i.e., from where we have come) similar resolve is necessary. Then you shall certainly complete the journey.

You went away from us but you have left your memory with us; nay, you were such a guest that you have taken away the host also along with you. You might have conveyed my message to your friends. Now it is left to Master to take it to their hearts. It will be very kind of you if you can send its copy for necessary records here. Convey my greeting to all those who enquire. Best wishes to children.

Yours well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 14 Shahjahanpur
No. 2470/SRCM Dated : 04-11-1955

My dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your letter dated 1st November 1955. I had sent a post card NO.2467/SRCM dated 1-111955. Hope you have received it. You wanted to have the reply to your letter immediately and you got it. Please read it carefully and see whether there is the reply to your letter or not. Even then I am writing your reply. Your letter was full of love and devotion. When such is the love it is not necessary to do anything more; and even the scoldings in love look sweet. You say, "I have quarreled with you". These are tricks of love and you have given the proof of your love in your next line that you have given away everything of yours, body, mind and heart etc. to me. Please see carefully, whether I am not nearest to you.

Dear Brother, what I have told you about the transmission is only for those who are beginners and who wish to transmit to others in the same condition. This is a general principle shown. I wish one to become contagious and form his deep impression wherever he goes and just like the disease of plague the effect may spread out from him automatically. Likewise, you are writing the same thing "Whomever I saw, he became enchanted; whomever I thought about, he has been attracted; whoever saw me, he was converted". When I am getting such members, the Mission will definitely shine forth. You want that I should not forget you, and what to talk of the grant of wish; you may take it for granted. There is no 'Ego' in you; but whatever your condition is, consider it to be from God. I am very much pleased by your condition. You are really 'Patra' (deserving) otherwise people come to me and go away but nobody takes me away along with him. You have really taken me away with you.

Do write if the present condition is becoming a hindrance in any work or is getting unbearable so that I may pacify (or quench) it. You will definitely get some peace by the grace of God and this too brings you benefit only. The Mission will certainly progress because persons of such caliber are coming in. And you shall

serve the Mission greatly. And when you, dear Brother, remember me, it is probable that you can feel that I am present very near to you. May God give you steadiness and may you progress rapidly every moment and prove to be an asset for the Mission; because whatever is to be done, it has to be done by you people only. For my part, I have sown the seed of spirituality. The springing forth of the shoot (sprout) is awaited. As soon as it shoots forth you people will be there to water it. Thank God that you have become a living message to your friends; and this is, I think, enough to understand the importance of the Mission. Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 15 Shahjahanpur
No. 2480/SRCM Dated : 16-11-1955

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Received all your letters which you had sent in the cover. I have bidden farewell to the service from 12th November and now I am the servant of only His whose service can truly be rewarding; and also wish you people to keep up the relationship of love linked up with Him. Your wish also is the same which is alright. If ever by some good chance this wish slips and joins with its Source, then there is the end of every wish. This very relationship is to be developed further and the practice is for this only. When our wishes were towards this mortal world they have ruined us. When their flow has started towards the other world or eternity, it is the proof that they are sure to begin to enliven us. You want my prayers for your steadiness, which can reach you by words and writings only. And

I wish to convey you the thread of the necklace made out of the precious jewel of Heart studded with the pearls of the tearful eyes; and may God will it to create a tempest. When I say tempest I do not mean a cyclone but the simile is towards those waves every current of which produces a river; and the river also is such that it verily turns into a sea someday.

The answer to the question you have asked giving reference to my previous writing, is as follows : Since you are a scientist, you have to admit that the particles of the body are being continuously made and unmade. When such is the case, it follows that new particles are made in us. But when we start to foment everything with the warmth of our love, those particles will take the same influence and begin to become likewise. And a time comes when our making will be just like them. You may consider this as the transformation or the changeover. The new ones which have been made are better, the old ones have gone away and the remaining have taken up the influence of love. In short, all have become similar in one way or other. Now, one question remains which is difficult to answer in words and to make one to understand, although not at all difficult to reach and attain. This is, as long as there is the question of 'is' (existence) there is no complete realisation. Briefly speaking, consider it this way – dear Brother, beautiful plants grow in such grounds where there is good amount of manure etc. When we negate ourselves the ground becomes such that the beautiful white flower can grow there. "The garden of existence has burnt out; the seed of heart has sprouted".

Dear Brother, you have written wonderfully that when you started to teach Hydraulics, you saw light in the eyes of the students, and that when you started to teach strength of materials or any other subject the boys understood it very well. Brother, I cannot understand anything of these; I only think that it was the light of your knowledge which had appeared in the eyes; otherwise what do I know about these things? Well, I say this alone, you sell the goods well.

Those who have started (the practice) are probably two. Please write their addresses in English and send to me; and give them my address. Let them keep

up the correspondence with me so that the condition may be known. Let love be maintained so that new life may be breathed in. There was a letter in English also. God knows what the dream was, about which he has written, “I was thrilled beyond description”. This can be known only by asking him.

Has my message reached your friends? Have they heard me? Are there any who stirred up? You had to convey it and you have done it. It is also a fact that you reached your home quite soaked by which your friends can guess a lot. Brother all this is the reply to your letter in detail. Now a brief reply of two lines only will be sufficient and it will be heartening enough to you.

“Aashaki chiest bigo banda jana budan,

Dil Badaste digare dao va hairan budan”

“By love a devotee has to understand only this much, give away your heart to somebody and remain oneself caught up in wonder”.

Pandit Ramdas Chaturvedi has come here during the holidays of Diwali and is returning tomorrow. He is telling best wishes to you. While dictating this letter I am remembering your Moulvi Saheb. Convey my regards to him and also tell him that I do remember him some times and I consider it to be a benefit to me due to him. I have to go to attend a marriage function of a relative of mine at Mathura on 22 and 23 November and I shall be returning only by the end of November.

Best wishes to children.
Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

I am returning herewith the letter from Gandhidham, possibly you may need it.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 16 Shahjahanpur
No. 2508/SRCM Dated : 08-12-1955

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your loving letter dated 21st November, 1955. Thank you for the book of Telugu. Rest assured that I shall not send its cost. It is possible that you may get its cost automatically. Having stayed with this insignificant being, you have really created in yourself that condition which, if further developed, can be called love from top to toe and this is the reason why you create your deep impression wherever you go. I am very much pleased with whatever service you have done to the Mission till now, and I hope you shall certainly succeed in this field. Your opinion about the persons, whom you have shown the Abhyas is correct. Their address may be sent when they become steady after practising for some days. It is seen that persons leave off after practicing for a few days although they feel benefited with this practice; and in such cases my labour will be wasted. Of course, they take in themselves some light which can help them in their future life if they proceed on the right lines. But I wish to go on seeing their progress with my own eyes and wish them to become such members that they may go on giving light to others also. For those who have started the Abhyas, and I do not know who they are, my attention does turn towards them in absentia. If they have got the craving they shall definitely receive the benefit. I have received the letter of Mr. Lakshminarasimhan. He has mentioned about the veena (musical instrument). But I had replied to him even earlier than it, and you might have read the letter. I shall turn towards him. He appears to be a man of good faith. If he gets attached he will shine forth by the grace of God.

"Real magic is that which rides upon the head". Your reading regarding

Capt. Iyengar and other persons is right. You have really become contagious and the “great contagion” of spirituality will certainly spread through you. My Master often used to say : “Become contagious”. Has Capt. Iyengar just recovered or has he got inclined even to some extent towards Abhyas?

You do not consider yourself to be able to become a Preceptor. But when such is the case no more time will be required to become one and this can be done in an instant by the grace of God. It is a great blessing if one is made the servant to do the service. Well, leave it to me alone. When your love is to such an extent, how is it possible that my full attraction may not reach you? I wish that I call you my “My dear Raghavender”. You are asking me to give some difficult work, but the difficulty is that there is no difficulty; and I wish to take you to perfection just naturally and may God help me.

You want to send a resolution as a member. You are quite free to send and you have got the right also. You have asked me as to how you can know my real address. People reply in the scriptural language “when you realise yourself”, but this is not my reply. I would answer: “when you become myself alone” then you will, obviously, know my address. If I have to explain still further – when you begin to see me in yourself automatically but not purposefully; or when the very condition is so created then you shall know my real address. And all this can happen by your present meditation. Dear Brother, to get into spirituality and to attain perfection, take it from me, is not at all difficult. One has only to hand over oneself to one who has negated himself; then everything else comes.

Dear Brother, there is no harm in writing the commentary on the “Divine Life” or in writing books. But my view is that when super conscious state opens up, it will really be a pleasure to write and there is still time for it; although if your present condition remains the same I may like to hasten it up. And do not think that it may be delayed any longer. I am trying that your journey of the Heart may be completed and after that I shall start the journey of other points up to Pind Desh so that you may enjoy the real essence of life. The journey may be

completed even within a minute or two and its result also will be the same. But you cannot grasp such a journey so quickly.

Choubeji, who had come here, was remembering you. The earlier letter I had dictated to Babu Ishwar Sahai Preceptor of Lakhimpur. As per your request I am sending the books one by one.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

PS : Since I have already written to Shri Lakshminarashiman, I do not find the necessity of writing reply to his present letter. And I beg his pardon. This time if I receive any letter from him, I shall reply.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 17 Shahjahanpur

No. 2552/SRCM Dated : 20-12-1955

Dear Brother,

Best wishes. Received your loving letter dated 8th December. You might have received my earlier letter which I had sent along with the parcel of books. Please write. By the grace of God my health is good. Please do not worry. I shall reply to both of your letters, after I receive your reply to this. I have not received any letter from Dr. Kulkarni. Let him get a bit steady and then I shall take up his case; however, I do give him a cursory glance but I do not exert. I have not yet received his letter. He will gradually get the habit of sitting in one Asana (Posture).

If God wills your doubts will certainly vanish. But none could give the

answer to every “why’ up till now, nor is there any hope in future. The light which the doctor Saheb felt, is the result of your good thought and love. Leave off the thought that you have not progressed even a step further in meditation. Go on doing it and keep up the constant remembrance in whatever way you are doing it now and it shall verily be kept up because you are a man of love (devotion). You have asked me about the natural condition of mind, matter and spirit. What can I write when I do not feel any of these ? Nor am I a scientist to be able to write by that knowledge. Here the Devotee, the Messenger and Lord do not come even in the cognition; on the whole, the Trinity is vanished. Then what shall I write ? Now, whatever you say, that I shall write. I received the “Nasadeeya Sookta”. I shall ponder over it. Whatever you have written to Dr. Varadachari has worked like magic upon him, and faith and intimacy have increased in him and two letters on such lines have come here. He has also written that he has received your letter. When I tour Deccan it can never be that I may not reach you. Even without my reaching there, you are doing the service to me and when I reach there in person, I myself will be the host as well as the guest. You can bring your friends on the right path by prayer, good thought and love only. I received the letter of your Moulvi Saheb also. I shall reply to it within two or three days. You are doing good service to the Mission by putting others on the path of Divine Knowledge.

May God reward you for it.
Best wishes to children.
Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 18 Shahjahanpur
No. A-4/SRCM Dated : 01-01-1956

My dear Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your happy letter of 24th December. I too had sent a post card which you might have received. I am pleased to read that you have made the improvement of the Mission your creed, and you have also gathered some associates. I shall send the copies of the bye-laws of the Mission as desired by you, along with the application forms for admission. But before filling up the forms see that they have become pretty steady in the practice. I do not know whether Mouli Gulam Sarwar Khan has given me room in the cabin of his heart. If so, the question arises whether he has bound me up or kept me free. If he has bound me, I have been chained up, and if he has kept me free I can certainly be of use to him. The meaning of this is whether he had made me his own by allowing me my right or by depriving me of it. If he has kept up my right I am certainly of use to him. You have written for your nephew. I am ready and he shall progress by the grace of God. I have also received a letter of Dr. Varadachari and I wish that he should progress. But the fact is that he wants to build the spiritual temple on the sandy foundation of logic and doubts which is the quintessence of philosophy. My view is that the beginning of the spiritual philosophy must be from wonder and I agree with this thought of Plato. In our system (sanstha) there comes a stage where the state of wonder is created in the Abhyasi; and I have remained in that condition for years. And when such a state is created, spirituality takes an entirely new turn. I have forbidden Shri Ganeshan to show my letters to others because while replying to the questions I have criticised some saints although I have done so very carefully and diplomatically. There is no restriction for loving people like you to see those letters. Some of the points in those letters can be shown to everybody. And regarding those experiences which Shri Ganeshan had, well they cannot tally with those of others. You may consider about your experiences also similarly, that they seldom tally with those of others. The traversing of the path is the same for all and the goal also the same but the difference certainly comes while reading the condition. Shri Ganeshan has pressed you to translate the Urdu book into English. I shall be very happy if you start to do it and afterwards I shall correct it. I have

yet to ask who had started to translate. But it is no bar. You also may start.

Now I come to the reply to your question. On the question, “whether life has got any meaning?” Someone has said, ‘Life is the name of liveliness; damnation is for those who are dead at heart.’ Whatever its poetical meaning may be but my point will be established by the meaning which I give. It is agreed that they call liveliness, as life. Now, what is liveliness? To live with the heart. Now which can be that life wherein liveliness may come? This alone, gives away your heart to another one and only life shall remain. If we ponder over “life” we come to the conclusion that life is only that which is connected with living. My statement makes it clear that there is some living with which I have stated life to be connected. And it also is evident that, that life with which this life wants to remain connected is eternal and immortal. If we merge our life in that life then it becomes the Real Life where there is neither bliss nor pain and neither pleasure nor sorrow. Yes, this alone is the writing of an illiterate. I want to take you all to this only; and this alone is the goal of life which you call life. I have also written, “Give away your heart to another one”. Whatever sense implying love you make of it by reading is correct. But it is certain that Reality cannot be revealed through such common words; but it does come into the mental grasp. The object is that the fact of our nature which is entangled in this world i.e., the heart which is inclined towards silly pleasantries should be entirely turned away. You have to do only this in this life; the heart be His and you be yours.

Next thing which you have asked is, “what shall I get by this life?” Dear Brother, the question of getting comes where there is the motive. And when the heart itself is no longer ours, the motive has already left away. Then what did you get ? Only that which was really yours. Yes, you certainly had a life prior to this one; and the fruit of it is that you have come into the present life. Now, “whether will there be any life for me after this?” If you want to have the past life once again, it is impossible because such life is not possible for the devotional minds like you. Moreover, the worry regarding your life after this one should be for me because in one of your letters you have written, “I have already surrendered my

heart and mind to you". Diversity is life. Had there been no diversity none would have got inclined towards eternity. If there was no diversity, tell me, what other word ought to be for it and what would be its definition? The same, which is God's. Now you may even ask, why did this diversity come ? The correct answer is; you went on solidifying your thought to such an extent that the Real Thing on which you had solidified got veiled inside. You have created the glamour and glitter and fell in love with that only to the extent of getting intoxicated and becoming tipsy like a top. When you became tipsy like a top you went on dancing. You danced all by yourself and got the onlookers too, and you are pleased. Now please decide for yourself what part you had in the workhouse of the nature in its making and formation and what a great responsibility was yours. The answer of these questions which you have asked, can be found in the example of Jameela in my Urdu book. Please read the same.

While writing something you have mentioned in the end: "Please show me the right way". I am surprised that this sentence which has come out of your pen, means that I have not yet shown you the right path. If I consider you to have gone intoxicated, my reply would have been, "Having arrived at the destination we are searching for destination".

It is good that you do the Puja for half an hour; it would be still better if you start to do the Puja for one hour. Constant remembrance is really such a practice by which alone all stages are crossed over; all states (conditions) get opened up by this alone; all type of superconscious states open up by this only and this very thing makes you to become one with reality. I am writing to Moulvi Saheb also. Please give it to him after reading.

After writing the above, I received your letter of 27th December. Do not lose hope by my statement that none could reply to every 'why' till now nor is there any hope in future; and have faith in my words that the knowledge of everything can be had by the realization of God. And it is true. The problem, the seed or the tree first has not yet been solved. But I say that first it was the seed

and then came the tree. The seed was the effect of the quakes and shocks of the Divine Vibrations. But if you question "why did God create this world? or whence did God come?" Think by yourself as to what possibly the reply of these can be. I think, if God is asked, "where did you come from?" even He cannot reply. And if he replies, he is not God, because by the reply there shall at once comes the limitation and unlimitedness vanishes. Hence very many things we have to just assume and take for granted. People often put for, "Man has to face many calamities and miseries, the responsibility of which is on God because He has thrown us in these. If he is pleased to see this (our sufferings) and if His Heart does not melt with compassion, it is better to remain aloof from such a tyrant." Now please tell me by what words they can get fully convinced and satisfied. Science and Philosophy give the replies, no doubt, but finally they will become silent. We should not unnecessarily worry by thinking on such lines; because these things are opposed to the development of peace. We should have the monomania to somehow find out ourselves and this alone is spirituality. If I ask you why you have been named Raghavender, you would only say 'my parents liked it.' Again if I ask why they liked it you may not be able to reply to every 'why' after giving replies to some extent. When such is the case with ordinary matter like this, what to talk of the big ones. I am pleased to note that you have become a member of Engineering Society. When this is done, God will grant you the other too. When I praise you, it definitely provides you an opportunity to get pleased and this alone would be my object that you may receive water for growth. If now you think that you become proud by it (though it is not the case) why don't you think I am praising myself? You have asked "Whether I should consider the non-fulfilment of my desires to be their punishment." It would be better to consider the very creation of desires as your own punishment.

You had mentioned about writing to somebody whatever I had told you about electrons etc. You might have written accordingly. Have you received its reply? If so please inform me also. Please consult our satsangi for the treatment of appendicitis. His address is as follows – Shri S.R. Mukherji, No.1/11-D, Railway Quarters, N.E.Railway, Lakhimpur-Kheri, U.P. (North India).

Your well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 19 Shahjahanpur
No. A-37/SRCM Dated : 15-01-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter dated 10th Jan 1956 along with the enclosed letter of your nephew. I wonder why you got upset by seeing his letter. There is nothing to get upset in it. I have already taken up his case. My dear, why do you worry? He is a simple and good boy. You have written, "Read his letter and see what has happened to him". I did not find a single thing in his letter which may cause you any worry. You have written in the letter "please develop my capacity", I shall go on doing it. Hence, by the Grace, the power of Master alone works. There is no possibility of any harm. If, at any place, love gets intolerable it can come under control by a single glance of Maser. If, at any time, any complication is created, you may tell it to my Master, that is, you may place it before the Master in the form of prayer, then that thing will go away at once. If you find any difficulty in it you can as well tell me in the same way from there. Whether I become conscious of it or not, your object will be gained by the grace of Master. I am writing a letter to your nephew also so that his shyness from me may thaw. Rest assured that I have put you on the right path and by the grace of God you shall certainly reach the destination. Go ahead with perseverance, there is no probability of any harm.

Now I shall reply to your letter of 9th January; which I had received the

same day. You have written, “I am not feeling any difference between the Goal and the Path”. This shows good attachment. And, dear Brother, I am of the opinion that it is certain that the Abhyasi shall definitely attain perfection if he has got devotion and, by some good chance, he gets such a guide who constantly reminds the Abhyasi of his real home and who is himself permanently abiding in it. You are certainly under the guidance of such a personality, i.e., my Master whose effulgence if deeply observed, is spread throughout the entire world and the spirituality if the saints deeply ponder over can be found well in every nook and corner. And regarding the doubts and desires; gradually these also bid farewell. Rome cannot be built in a day. I have to clean up these things (and I am doing) which are the causes of the desires and doubts. I shall go on serving you with the wine of Divinity and I shall also go on creating room to keep this sacred wine. And what more do you want?

You have also written that right thinking has not come. Do you think that this thing will not come to you? But, dear Brother, “let the beauty of the Dawn of Home have a bit of make up”.

People consider you to be a scientist. It is their look out. Why should you get worried with it? Thank God that they consider you to be somebody at least; but people always consider me to be a simpleton and the general opinion of my elders and relatives who knew me were also the same about me. I ought to have got offended because they think me to be so. But the pity is that people think you to be good but you feel offended. You may say, “I feel offended because I am not what as they expect me”. Brother, similarly I too can say that although I was not like that yet people thought me to be a simpleton, hence I ought to have got offended. But I did not feel anything even after hearing the bad opinion of the people about me; hence you have got no right to feel bad over a good thing. Rest assured that I am not testing you. If I test you, it will be like testing me only. The question of test comes where there is doubt and with me there is no room for doubting you. You can also take it for granted that if the same condition is maintained you shall understand every problem, what to talk of electrons.

In my previous letter I really forgot to write as usual best wishes to children, and it was my mistake that I did not remember it. As long as I am alive my best wishes are always there for your children that they may be happy and prosperous and may they shine forth in spirituality.

Please keep a copy of the letter which I had written to Moulvi Gulam Sarwar Khan in your file so that you may show it to your friends. That letter is so comprehensive that hundreds of pages can be written for its explanation. I have shown the condition of 'Fana' (or negation) and 'Baka' (identity in it); the Hindi words of Fana and Baka are 'Laya Avastha" and "Turiya" respectively. I have also shown the condition of Vairag (detachment) and Bhakti (devotion) full in it. I have also shown in it what the etiquette of man would be at the ultimate approach and to what extent submission and humility would be in him. At one place I have written in it: "You have given me room in the cabin of your heart. May God will that the heart in which you have rehabilitated me may go on reminding you of the Cabin of the hermit". This is so much full of meaning that you may write on it as much as you please. Its meaning, to put it briefly; the bad thing may not be born in your heart because of the fear as to what the saint would say, whom you have allowed to dwell there. Another thing is that where a saint dwells the dirty desires cannot come. I have presented in it the ideal of the perfection of devotion and I have kept up the prestige of the Moulvi Saheb and my humility and submission everywhere in it. I have also given a slight sprinkling to get rid of bigotry in that letter and have also written how much I am longing to do the spiritual service to others.

I am happy to note that you have begun to translate the Urdu book. I shall inform Ganeshan also. It will be very good if Mr. Lakshminarasimhan would start translating it in Tamil. I love him. Please enquire about his condition. You may freely write about the condition of any of your friends in your letters.

You have written about one who is pleased after reading 'Reality at Dawn'

and who has given his opinion that if there were not the chapter 'My Vision' in it, none could have criticized the book. When I started to write 'My Vision' some of my associates said that it should not be included but the majority opined that it should be included. Therefore, I wrote it and added the words 'believe it or not' – But I now say, in reply to him, that even now none can criticize it, and that all these things are true. As an example, the Gulf Stream has started changing its course. Natives of Britain in their newspapers have published my forecast saying that a man of India has already predicted so. Another thing which an associate of mine told me is that he has read in some newspaper that the English people are suspecting that volcanic energy is latent below London and which can bring disaster. The third thing which I have been told is that the Americans are getting the thought that their wealth is tending to decrease. God knows better. 'Vision' cannot be verified until those things come into manifestation; and it is difficult to have such a super conscious state of mind to find out whether it is correct or not. A saint of Sweden is crying hoarse that a change is necessary in the world; and these words of mine have been brought out in a magazine in Japan.

Mr. M. K. Ganeshan has asked the address of your house so that he may reach you easily whenever he makes up his mind, and he is intending to meet you. Please write the address of your house to him. I did not know it, otherwise I would have written it to him. Best wishes and love to the children. Please convey to Moulvi Saheb my many compliments; and as a joke, also tell him; as he has given me room in his heart, let him take care that I may not return home by sheer boredom. The birthday of my Master will be celebrated from 15th to 17th February, 1956 this year. I hereby invite you and other Satsangis.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : If you do not get a copy of the letter from Moulvi Sahab, write to me. I shall send it. I have a copy of the same. And you must be preserving all my letters. These are useful to you and to others also.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 20 Shahjahanpur
No. A-68/SRCM Dated : 05-02-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your loving letter written on 26th January. I am pleased to note that the remembrance of this insignificant being remains fresh in you. You need not at all worry about your nephew. There is one who takes care of all of us. This will never harm. On the contrary, it is always beneficial; whether one gets it by intoxication or by getting drowned in love.

You have written two or three things of your experiences and have asked me as to who the person was whom you have seen in your vision. I cannot tell. But I do say this much, the liberated souls begin to bless wherever they find light in any Abhyasi among us; they do so especially when he is fully intoxicated with the love of Master. The coming of Revered Lalaji is true and the meaning of transformation of His form into that of mine is that Lalaji has not kept any difference between Himself and myself; and most of the Abhyasis have had such experience.

Ganeshan is really a man of love; and I had written to him that the translation sent to him ought to be literal only so that the real meaning of the words may be brought out in the translation. And the translation should indeed be literal otherwise the real meaning would be lost.

I have not received any letter of Shri Lakshminarashiman which you have mentioned that he is sending in Hindi. I am mostly attracted towards him. It means that he too loves this insignificant being. My attraction is getting reduced towards Dr. Kulkarni, i.e., he is not attracting my attention towards himself by the

power of his love. I do often attend to him. You might have received the programme of the Utsav. I shall write once again : “you must sit in meditation from 6.30 to 7.30 both morning and evening daily, without fail. Both time on the dates 15th and 16th and on the 17th morning time only. Apart from this, remembrance, prayer and meditation as often as possible during day and night. Others also should follow the same method. In short, you should be drowned in the ocean of the Divine light for so much period.

To whomsoever you have written to convey your affectionate pranams, all are coming here during the Utsav, I shall tell them. You have asked the address of Shri N. Kumaraswamy. It is written below. He was with me for a month and returned with a very good condition and is still in it; but he is not aware of it. I have also written two or three letters to him but received no reply. Hence, I guess that he has lessened his attention towards this. He needs to be spurred up a bit. He is serving in Andhra State Cooperative Bank, Vijayawada.

His Address: Shri N. Kumaraswamy
Andhra State Cooperative Bank Ltd.
3/73, A. Brahmin Street, Vijayawada, South India

Best wishes to children and Namaste to all satsangi Brothers. Please convey my Salam to Moulvi Saheb.

Well-wisher Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 21 Shahjahanpur
No. A-86/SRCM Dated : 21-02-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your happy letter. I am glad to read it. God knows, what magic spell, you have cast upon me that your letter is heartening to me. This is the result of your love. I think that you also feel the same condition upon receiving my letter. In this sense both of us are alike. It ought to be that when I got intoxicated, you too should feel the drunkenness. You have written, 'I also feel nothing'. But, dear Brother, is it a fact that I too do not come in your awareness? If so, i.e., if I come in your awareness even this fact is not small. Even then you are writing, 'please save me from this mire'. The man struck in mire is aware of nothing other than mire. Is it possible that the remembrance of a "Dead and Gone" may not bring you on to the same condition some day or other? Have you not felt that your heart is sometimes immersed in love instead of being stuck up in the mire? Hence, the question of mire does not arise at all.

Whatever Ganeshan has written to you about the points A and B is correct. You are doing the meditation of the Point B, which you ought to do on the point A. I shall also explain it:-

Method:

Meditation on Point B: In the morning, for about five minutes, Imagine at the point that all grossness etc., is going out from that point in front; and behind it, the power of atman is being manifested in the form of light.

Meditation on point A : During night time, for about five minutes, all men and women of the world are own Brothers and sisters.

The measurement of the points is given in 'Efficacy of Raja Yoga' at the end of page No.39. Please read the same.

Please send to me the translation of the book, which you have completed so that I too may go through it and may advise as needed. If you have got no copy, please

write to Shri Ganeshan to make a copy of it and to send it to me. Please convey my Salam to Moulvi Saheb. Best wishes.

Your well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : I wonder why I did not receive the letter of Shri. Lakshminarashiman. Ask him to take the trouble of writing once again. He is a man of love.

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Brother Utsav is concluded. Now with an unwilling heart we are to return. I propose to return tomorrow. I was remembering you quite often. When your remembrance was there, in a way, you too were there. This was encouraging. During the Utsav or even earlier than that, Master was suffering from severe stomach-ache and has not yet recovered. This was certainly a matter of anxiety for us. Even now there is some pain. Lemon is giving good relief; the same is being used. May God bestow complete relief soon.

Well-wisher Ishwar Sahai

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 22 Shahjahanpur
No. 107/SRCM Date : 05-03-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

Received your loving letter written on 26th February. Just as you will be waiting for my letter I too wait anxiously for your letter. I feel a wonderful sort of comfort to read your letter. Janab Moulvi Saheb appears to be man of etiquette and he is also maintaining friendship with you. But, dear Brother, flawless love is

the nature of God alone. Hence, if I write a strong word for your friend, I hope you will not take it to heart. He is a selfish man, which can be called as a defect in a seeker of spirituality. And he is entrapped in himself for which the fit word can be 'narrow mindedness' alone. Nevertheless, he is a very good man.

I am attentive to my far off associates also during the Utsav of Basant Panchami. And I had really given a strong transmission of peaceful condition to Dr. Kulkarni on that day at 6.30 so that he may feel that here it is not mere talk but my Master's power too works and with this he may conclude that he can gain his objective here. I have taken Mr. Devidas in my attention. And Brother, I remember Lakshminarashiman very much. It will hearten and give me comfort if he at least writes even a letter any time. Anyway please convey my best wishes to him.

I do not want the meditation on point 'A' to be done for more than five or seven minutes because some pressure is likely to be exerted upon it. When you meditate on the point A make it about for five minutes. Once in a way never mind if it exceeds by two or three minutes. You need not drown yourself in it. This gives innumerable benefits. You shall develop proper and correct attitude towards mothers and sisters and universal love also gradually begins to grow. Both of these points have come in my Anubhava (experience). I only want somebody to send me a copy of the translation which you have done in English. I do not know whether Ganeshan could grasp its sense or not. The book is not at all difficult. But, I don't know why the people find it difficult.

Mr. Rajagoplan had come in the Utsav. Probably I had told him that I would try to reach South India soon. Now there are some compelling factors due to which it is impossible for me to leave the house. And I tell you this also – When I come there I shall give you and Ganeshan most of the time. If I have told anything to Rajagopalan in your praise, I might have told a correct thing. You have written a fine joke regarding God as to why he does not give Darshan. And you have given the answer also that people praise the God too much, and they have got many

hopes of Him. The meaning of this is that the people flatter him and want to get their works done by flattering him and do not create that kind of attachment due to which He would come by Himself. Another thing is that they seek for such a God who is made of flesh, blood and bones and God has got none of these. Please decide yourself, they want to have the Darshan of that doll which is made of these things; but when there is no such thing as this, how can He manifest?

While mentioning about saint Mangaiah you have written that according to him there is no existence of evil.

I do not remember as to what I have written in this connection hence I cannot give a reply to it. I shall reply if I happen to remember it any time.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

Brother Raghavendra Raoji, now your holidays are nearing and I am happy, because you will certainly meet me here (at Shahjahanpur) and will give more time.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 23 Shahjahanpur
No. A-129/SRCM Dated : 20-03-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

Received your letter dated 13th March, 1956. I am sorry about what I have written about your friend. One reason is that I was tipsy, intoxicated with your love and hence I blurted out something in that very state. But, remember that when the thorn grows too much it needs to be cut off. Therefore, selfishness is in

every person in some degree or the other, but it becomes defect when it exceeds a certain limit. Let it also be clearly known that selfishness, even an iota of it exists, creates defect in spirituality. If I have written for your friend in this sense you may take it to be correct. The word 'Narrow mindedness' which I have written, I alone understand it and its shade is specially found in the fanatic communities; and my reading is correct. As it is not displayed generally this should not be called a defect; but this becomes a bondage in spirituality. Well, I have to apologize. But I do not write it because you will feel shy as you consider me to be an elder. Hence I write this much; I hope you will let it be a bygone thing. I have also written to Shri Lakshminarasimhan in reply to his letter, which he might have received. He is also a very good man. May God give him progress.

You have written correctly that if people do not have their works fulfilled by God according to their wishes, they begin to forget His very existence. What treatment I can show for it. Nature will be automatically treating it occasionally. That is, they do not get comfort and they remain very far off from peace and they will never get satisfied in their heart. These very things will in due course become the foundation for the spiritual training and will compel them to develop faith in the existence of God.

Mr. Devidas is really a very simple boy. And it is not a bar for such a person to pray for both the spiritual and worldly benefit. I too have written a letter to your nephew, Ramkrishna Rao and I am worried because I have not yet received his reply. Ganeshan has sent me the translation of the Urdu Book. I want that when Shri Ishwar Sahai comes here to spend the vacation after getting free from the examination of the boys, both of us may see it together. It takes a lot of time. He has got the habit of getting the translation done by his boys. And he is a very able man in Urdu, Persian and English. Afterwards I shall send it to you for getting typed. I wish you also to be with us then. If there is any difficulty in it, well, it is my duty to help my boys. Master Saheb will definitely be with me on 16th or 17th May and please translate the preface and send it to me by then. I had written the preface in English and it was translated afterwards so far as I remember and I had

dictated pages after pages for it which have been translated afterwards by me alone. You have written that you want to inter-commune with the Special personality. I have already written the method in that only, that if one sits in meditation for some time praying for God, His form will come before the view by itself. If you want to see him by your own eyes, it is always possible. You can inter-commune with Him after sufficient progress i.e., it requires great lot of spiritual advancement. But as far as seeing Him, the eyes can do it easily. Now, if you ask, 'how shall I seek Him?' the answer is – 'just near yourself' or else seek up to the highest limit to which extent the stream of your thought can work. What more shall I write; you may also say, 'for the sake of love, Please show Him to me by seeking Him yourself for me'. Dear Brother, my view is and has been inclined towards the same so that the manifestation of that personality is made possible with its effect.

I would like to know whether the commentary of Rig Veda which you have, is in English or in Hindi and also as to who has done it. Pandit Ramdas Chaturvedi who had come from Lakhimpur-Kheri to Allahabad and with whom you are acquainted, has got all Vedas except Samved. I have brought Rig Veda from him and a young Sanyasi whose Sanskrit is very good and who is taking spiritual training from me and whom I have detained here with me, reads it to me daily for an hour or two. But it will take a very long time to complete the whole Veda. Hence let me listen to as much of it as possible.

What has been written in the Nasadeeya Sookta resembles the condition which I have been mentioning in my letters about the Highest approach. Regarding the book which I wanted to write, when I thought of writing it, the thoughts started to rise automatically and when I thought that I should write after reading some books, those thoughts began to as if bid farewell and I could not yet study it even. Now, whenever the command of Master comes I would be able to write. Now-a-days, I have become more lazy since I retired from the service. Now I want to drop down this veil of laziness very soon and pray God to help me.

You have questioned : “Why so much love is created in you people?” What reply can I give to it ? You yourself are its answer. And the test of it is that the heart gets comfort even with the scoldings of the beloved. You are now saying to me “I too wish to love. Please fulfill my wish”. I shall repeat the same sentence for its reply.

Whatever I have written in Commentary on Ten Commandments of Sahaj Marg, all of it is Brahmacharya only. The meaning of Brahmacharya is to move about in Brahman and this very thing is its subject matter. Now its meaning is taken to be the saving of the vitality (semen) which is an essential thing to preserve the energy of the body and the brain (mind). And regarding its proper use, I shall tell it to you orally and ask it of me when you meet me. Why is it considered necessary to take bath after carrying the corpse among us? Similarly, I consider it necessary for a man to take bath when he brings about his own death by his own instrument.

Please keep the cost of the three copies of ‘Reality at Dawn’ which you have sold with you only for the time being. Please convey my best wishes to satsangis.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra (In the handwriting of Brother Harihara Sahai, Secretary of the Mission).

P.S. : You have written a Mantra of a Veda. I liked it very much. I shall also write to you a Sloka of Mahatma Jad Bharat of Bhagawata.

“Rahuganai tat tapasa na yati; Na vidyaya nirvisanga gruhadva; Na chhandasa; naiva jaladi suryai: Vina mahatpada rajobhishekam.”

"O! Rahugana, you will not get That by tapas (penance); Not by learning; not by leaving home; Not by reciting mantra; Not by offering holy water to Sun God; Unless you take holy bath in the dust of the Feet of Mahatma."

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 24 Shahjahanpur
No. A-147/SRCM Dated : 28/30-03-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I am glad to know about the welfare of Sri Ramakrishna Rao and more so to know about the birth of a son to him. May God give him long life. I feel that the spiritual condition of Mr. Kumaraswamy is good. And so long as he had not seen me, three or four letters of his would come to me weekly; but when he saw me he adopted the pen of scarcity. I consider that this might be my mistake only. You have shown to Moulvi Saheb those two words which I had written about him in my letter. Never mind I did feel ashamed and I have also apologized to you. I also ask forgiveness of him. I really ought not to have written like that. It was my mistake. But whatever I have written is nevertheless true; although ethically I ought not to have written like that. I am certainly frank with my associates and also tell them likewise. It is the good mannerliness of Moulvi Saheb that he has not taken it ill. His letter has also come. I am enclosing its reply along with this letter to you. And I have also received the letter of Brother Lakshminarasimhan. He is also a man of much love. I am enclosing along with this its reply also. Ganesan is certainly improving. He too is devoted just like you. I have not yet received the translation of the preface of the Urdu book. It will come in due course. Kasturi has written 50 pages dilating

Sahaj Samadhi at my request; and I have also read her thoughts. Now when God favours and gives abundantly that too will be published. There are two or three lectures of mine. I shall send them to you if I get someone to copy the same. The meaning of "Dard" (pain of separation from the beloved) is explained in them, which was created in you after you went away from me. You have confessed," I do not know why I am feeling the reduction in the intensity and severity of constant remembrance". The reply to it is – if times did not change and remained the same always, no son would have become the father. Please write in your letter as to how you are practicing the constant remembrance, so that I can correct the same. There is certainly some mistake somewhere. I have dealt with this in 'Efficacy of Raja Yoga', but very cautiously; although I have written everything. You may rest assured that I do not discontinue giving the transmission; but also request you not to discontinue writing to me. My health will sometimes be good and sometimes bad and this goes on continuing. You need not at all mind it. No work is obstructed. And you may also take it for granted that I shall never shirk to do the work of the Mission, which I have taken up. As an example; 'The commentary on the Ten Commandments of Sahaj Marg' which I have written, has been written during intense pain when I was fomenting my abdomen with hot water bottle while I was dictating. If you want to come here during the summer season, you shall definitely come.

You may study the thoughts of Aurobindo ji and also Maharshi Ramana. But you do the same which you are doing now. I have also read Mahayog which somebody had sent from South India and the followers of the Maharshi are even now entangled in it and say that he has shown the position of the heart towards the right side. But they have not understood this mystery. Whenever you meet me please remind me; I shall show it to you. Maharshi ji tells, 'enquire and search, who am I?', and the opinion of this insignificant being is 'Forget Yourself'. Both the body consciousness and the soul consciousness should go away. And this opinion is based on my personal experience and this also I have written in 'Efficacy of Raja Yoga'. I have always been a free thinker. Hence whatever I have written about Guru, I have expressed with the freedom of my opinion. I can go even to the extent of saying 'whatever training I could give you, when I complete

it, I would ask my dear one to seek for another man who can take you further than this'. When we take up one as a Guru for Brahm Vidya and by some chance if we come to know that he cannot make us attain Brahm Vidya, then decide for yourself what benefit we can have from him except wasting away our life and remaining deprived of Brahm Vidya. When you fix up a tutor for your child with the idea that he can teach the child arithmetic well and by experience if you come to know that he cannot teach arithmetic, then it also becomes your duty to fix up another tutor for the child. And if the child is intelligent and mature enough, he himself will begin to think of another tutor. Otherwise, the life of the child will be spoiled. My humble opinion is that people rarely know the correct method of Jap of Mantra (repeating sacred syllable). Many a person doing the practice of Jap had come to me; and when I observed them I found such a solid knot in their hearts that it had become very difficult for me to remove it. Even now there are some whose knots I have not yet been able to remove. So long as the method is not suitable even as God is quite subtle, realization is not possible. Your mood has not gone bad. You need not think over it. And the 'sorrow' which you have mentioned, can also be a spiritual condition. If you write it clearly I can also come to correct conclusion. If you feel lightness in that condition it is the result of my cleaning and I congratulate you.

I consider it to be quite useless to reply to the question about suicide and it requires many pages. It is enough to imagine if a king gives you a very valuable diamond and if you break it away into pieces, what the extent of anger and fury of the king would be? Another thing, it is always a sin as well as a crime to go against nature. This question ought not to have come into your heart at all. No doubt, I had written in one of the letter, 'you shall have the real taste of life'. Please read also the next sentence after it and then your heart will not accuse me, although I consider always myself to be wrong. When I find weakness in any of my associates I consider it to be my weakness only, but the pity is that he does not try to remove this weakness of mine. Brother, I do not 'play colour' during the Holi but the people do so with me. The custom of abuse and scolding has now gone away but possibly its traces may be found in Barsana and Mathura. But

the rustics (the villagers) of these places do proceed in groups singing abuses. Dear Brother, here the question of mistakes is not at all there. You may say whatever you like with a pure heart and with inner purification; though the best thing would be that your thoughts be formed in my own heart and rise from there only. Babu Ishwar Sahai has come over here from Lakhimpur and one more satsangi also has come. They will go back after two days. Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 25 Shahjahanpur
No. A-163/SRCM Dated : 11-04-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your loving letter dated 4th April 1956. I am pleased to read it. What other thing can be more pleasant to me than that you are going to redouble my happiness by coming over to the house of this insignificant being. I have started to wait for you from now itself. The constant remembrance which you are doing is alright. But the method which I adopted was very dull. But I derived great pleasure in that only and due to that only I am before you as I am. I was seeing the whole body of the Guru Maharaj placing it before me in my vision. And during meditation I was meditating on His form placing Him in my heart. When this practice is completed, automatically its next phase begins. And it means that I have crossed over one stage of dissolution (Fanayat, mergence). You have written that I have bound you with my etiquettes. But I say that it is your merit alone that you have stopped fluttering by which the bondage of love has naturally come over and the objective shall be gained on the

day when this bondage takes its original form and even the love too is dissolved (Fana).

You have written a very fine thing which deserves to be weighed in gold. That is 'I want to live for you alone', and dear Brother, the real fact is that my being alive is also due to you people only, otherwise I would have gone away by now after having completed the work. But until you people brightly illumine the Mission, I do not even think of going. Dear Brother, when (the condition of) oneness (Fanayat) takes the form of identity (Baka or a sort of Turiya) after having crossed its bounds in toto, then the very thing happens that whatever thoughts come will rise from my heart alone. The meaning is that the whole region (mandal) will then become one heart alone. That is why probably Babu Ishwar Sahai has written, 'Has Babuji got any heart'. But now you have written : "Please keep my heart with you". If your heart were not with me I would not have even remembered you. I have received the letter of your nephew Sri Ramakrishna Rao also. May God relieve him of his difficulty. Dr. Kulkarni says, 'There should be the consciousness of the constant remembrance even in dream and sleep also, so that when its habit is formed even the subconscious mind is engrossed in the remembrance in the dream state.' I shall reveal to you one more thing, I have turned the face of your individual mind upwards, i.e., towards God as it is in our method; you may have its idea accidentally, or it is possible to know that your mind is diverted towards God if your attention goes towards it through meditation. God alone knows how many things I have kept planned for you this time.

May God Will it that you may come to me, and you may be found developed to such an extent that I can make the relationship between yourself and myself deeper as per the method of my Guru Maharaj and I am also preparing so that I may connect your relationship to the reservoir of Grace (Faiz). Please convey my Salam to Moulvi Saheb and my best wishes to Sri Lakshminarasimhan and I am writing a sentence for him, please show this to him with Dard (pain).

Dard is not physical pain but the pangs of separation and restlessness to meet the beloved.

Best wishes to children. Please read out the following verses to Janab Moulvi Saheb.

"To go to beloved, one has to become the very embodiment of love".

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 26 Shahjahanpur
No. A-207/SRCM Dated : 07-05-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your loving letter dated 23rd April 1956. My joy knew no bounds when I read the news of your coming. It will be my good fortune if your Brother also comes and your nephew too. It is my desire, if you help me in this, that I may make you also a shareholder in this system of 'Wine House' (Nizam-e-Mye-Khana). And it shall be more possible when some restriction is enforced such that the liver and the heart may be quite nearby.

I had not replied that letter thinking that you are coming anyway. But when the restlessness of seeing you began to increase, I took up the pen to write this so that you may come early. I want to keep you with me for a longer duration this time; I may quench my thirst. Ramakishenji has put me some questions. I have

yet to reply to him. Best wishes to children and Namaste to your Brother.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 27 Shahjahanpur
No. 246/SRCM Dated : 27-06-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your two letters, out of them one was a post card. In it, it was written as 4th July, which means that you have forgotten the date too. And dear Brother, all this is my mistake only that I have thrown you into forgetfulness. Now you may take it that this alone shall be the result of making love with one who is in the state of oblivion (Bhoola Huva). Please tell this to a sane man and see that he shall come to the conclusion that his (Ram Chandra's) company is very bad. But, dear Brother, the sane one does not necessarily come to this conclusion; but a simpleton will not find this result because even in the state of forgetfulness, one's own remembrance is there latent. But, dear Brother, remembrance cannot yet be called the remembrance of self; but this remembrance will be said to be the remembrance of the beloved. And as long as there is the remembrance of the beloved, forgetfulness has not yet dawned in the real sense. You may question, what will take its place when the remembrance of the beloved is forgotten? The reply will be only that the remembrance of the self alone remains. And this is the third stage of Fanaiyat (dissoloution, mergence or oneness). What I wish for you is to forget even the remembrance of self; but it is possible after traversing enough journey. Then I would be prepared to say that you have forgotten everything. This condition sets in when the attributes are finished. My desire is that all of you should attain such

a state where even the remembrance of the remembrance too does not remain. That is the reply to your postcard. This is such a portion of this letter that if its translation is sent to Ganesan, he shall be wonderstruck. He never writes to me such things in his letters, but he would be asking about the external things to increase his general knowledge to which I would be sending replies. I have informed Ganesan that a branch of the Mission has been opened at Gulbarga under your charge. This time I have received a letter from Ganesan, reading which I was pleased very much because he wants to speed me up for doing the work of the Mission and has expressed his restlessness that the work of the Mission is not progressing fast enough. In it, he has given the example of Vinobha Bhave, that he is traveling the whole of India on foot for the sake of 'Bhoodan' in his old age. His intention to write this was that I also ought to work so hard completely renouncing my comforts and discomforts. I am writing to you also so that the restlessness may be created in you also to work like Ganesan. By the grace of God good work shall be turned out by you also and the people shall get the Light.

Now I come to the reply of your closed cover which you had sent on 13th June. Whatever spiritual service you are doing is in the form of following the order of the Master. When this is the state, His force alone will work and no question of doubt remains in this. Your condition shall gradually brighten up by the grace of God because I have completed your journey of all the spiritual places in such a way that you cannot be aware of it. It is because there was the possibility of damage to the nerves in exerting a little more pressure. Now there is not at all this possibility. You can quite rest assured. I have completed your journey of all the points of Pind to such an extent which would not have been possible even in years. Now, the more the capacity for endurance is developed the more the condition will go on being revealed by the grace of God. Now your place of journey is Brahmand Mandal. You have already got over the whirls (Chakras) of the world, i.e., now it is not possible for you to be (re) born in this mortal world, and now the need is for you not to be born in any place even of the other world and this very condition is called liberation or Nirvan.

It is glad news that Shri Dattatreya Rao has started the Abhyas. By going through his diary, your experience will be increasing by this. If he wants he can tell me any special points, but only when he becomes steadfast in the Abhyas. The method of transmitting in absentia is; you begin to transmit keeping the assumed form of the Abhyasi in front of you, i.e., as if he is sitting before you. It also happens, as is often the case with me that if the Abhyasi is practicing and you have not seen him, it is conceived on his name that he is sitting before you and start transmitting and carry on the cleaning etc. In the same way as I have shown you. You too may come across this.

There must be number in the correspondence. It is not necessary to keep the copies of the letters, but a line or two may be written in the remarks column giving the necessary reference. People will believe in the regular functioning of the branch with this. It does not take more than a minute per letter. And please get a rubber stamp prepared:

Shri Ram Chandra Mission,

Branch: Gulbarga (Hyderabad Deccan)

The spellings of the words should be the same as those printed on the letters.

What is the complaint of Mr. Captain? Of course, the person of the new light (new age) do scoff, but they forget to do so when they do not find any way out to get out of the difficulties. And, sir, what happens then? Instead of God they begin to rub their brow before His slaves. No doubt the restriction is there regarding attending the cinemas, Nautch and Tamashas, (dance and shows) but there is also this much allowance that if it is necessary to attend for the sake of somebody and with compulsion you may go with that very thought. And, sir, try and see you can never relish it because the external sight is being turned inwards.

You shall have enough entertainment in your own show. Janab Sarwar Ali Khan who is a lecturer in Philosophy has finally said that there should be definite period for the 'diet'. But how can this be called the diet when there is no illness in view corresponding to it. We do not cure ourselves with these hence these cannot be called 'diet' but, really speaking we have to save our looks while traveling on the path so that we may not be stranded left or right and may not be able to see the path. This brief reply is meant to convince Mr. Philosopher so that this idea of 'diet' may be dropped off his brain. Have you not heard about the philosophers? There is an example Diwan Chandra who was a Professor of Philosophy in Kanpur. He went out to deliver the lecture in the college and entered the drawing room of an Englishman, and thinking that it was the class of the college started to deliver the lecture. When the Madam heard his voice she informed him that it was not the college but that it was her bungalow. There are many such instances regarding him. And he was one of the very able persons. Ask the Mr. Philosopher whether he would call such a person a philosopher or a fool. If he calls him a fool he shall also come in the same category because this man was many times abler than him and if he does not call him a fool then he has to accept that he was the right man and that he had reached the basis of philosophy. Now, how had he reached? He had applied the whole of his energy to philosophy withdrawing his mind from everything else. And it might certainly have happened that he could not have attended the invitations of the relatives and would not have relished even after having attended the Nautch and Tamashas. That is, these things were got rid of in order to attain the philosophy. Hence it is proved that in order to attain the Philosophy, it is necessary to attach the thought at its bottom and then alone success is certain. Now I shall not proceed further. Suffice to say that in order to attain the philosophy of spirituality it is also necessary for these things to get out of the way. If you take it in the beginning itself, you shall have good chances of getting engrossed towards this thought. And if you do not take, when you reach there gradually limping towards it you will never even turn to look at the Nautch and Tamasha. This is the statement of the cripple who has got only one hand to search that. Let not Mr. Philosopher blurt out that if one hand is needed to search the Reality, it means

that one should seek for the Reality by getting one hand cut off. For this it will be sufficient to say that one hand should be kept on one's own head and the search should be carried out by the other. By keeping on the head, I mean that he should keep a grip on the brain so that the hand which is seeking the Reality, the brain too may be attached towards it. If you consider it proper you may send this passage to your friend, Mr. Philosopher and see how much he can comment upon this. I have written this reply for him only so that he may understand the mystery of the first ABCD in philosophy, and let him not mistake the breeze of swept rain is equal to the torrent. The underlined word is pregnant with meaning and is fit for the consideration with deep thought of Mr. Philosopher alone. I have written this letter in a friendly way so that his objections may be resolved.

The marriage went off quite well by the grace of Master. All people are quite satisfied.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : The number should be written like this; 5-BG/ SRCM, in it 5 is the number of the letter BG means Branch Gulbarga and SRCM means Shri Ram Chandra Mission. Inform the post office also that the letters addressed to Shri Ram Chandra Mission may be delivered to your house address.

I am sending the letter of Ganesan which had come here to you. I could now write the replies to the questions which had come to me from Raghavendra Rao Patwari, to your address; because the address which he has given is not legible. Please read the letter and send it to him.

Shri Ishwar Sahai's letter.

Dear Brother, Blessings. I am happy to read your letter addressed to Master

which was received here recently. May the Master bestow more progress on you day by day. After the marriage here, I had been to Lucknow to participate in the marriage ceremony of my nephew there, after the marriage I suffered from severe pain in my waist, due to which I could not return early. Now I am alright. There are some minor complaints which will go away within a day. Your remembrance is there as usual. Rather, the feeling of your presence remains all the time therefore you deserve congratulations, thanks to the Master. I am returning to Lakhimpur on 6th or 7th of July, because the schools will reopen on 9th July. Blessings to the children.

With blessings, Ishwar Sahai

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 28 Shahjahanpur
No. A-291/SRCM Dated : 24-07-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your loving letter and understood the contents written therein. I am happy to hear about the birth of a son to dear Sri Lakshmi Narasimham. God give him long life and bless with spiritual and worldly fortunes. And may God give you also this opportunity so that I may again get a chance to write the same to you also. May God will it so. I have sent the copies of the letters of Ganeshan ji and my replies to you because you may have the experience, for you have to work and I may be getting help in such cases.

I do not call myself an old man; nevertheless, I should be considered as an old man for the reason as a result of cholera and the consequent abdominal

troubles etc. after my recovery from cholera have made me old in my youthful period itself. Therefore, I have become too weak and haggard that I wonder whether my brain works properly or not. Hence, dear Brother, I have necessarily to get help from my dear ones and my condition too has become such that I should be considered as perfect ignoramus.

You have written that as a result of being born in the Brahmin caste, you are compelled to believe in many and various superstitions. The same is the case here also, and you will get it in abundance in my Brotherhood. It is so almost everywhere here. And one has to do so somewhat as customs demand. But when the heart is inclined towards which you have to be inclined truly, these things will appear to be wageless jobs and heart will not take their impressions. Whatever you have written about Ganeshan is alright and I agree with most of it. The confidential letters which I had written to you have been seen by you and now it is not necessary to keep them, because others may see them; hence tear them off.

Ganeshan's words were repulsive more so because he ought to have kept up the standards of etiquette and good taste which are according to my revered Master, the quintessence of this Organization. Anyway I have done him spiritual service to some extent or other, which he also agrees to. Having regard to that, he should have given some allowance to this insignificant and un-understanding being. The most obnoxious thing was that he had challenged me in the name of my Guru Maharaj. That is the reason why I had to write to him to seek for another way and another man for his progress. Dear Brother, where have I got the power to throw one to the 'Dhur' (highest state of spirituality) in an instant. It is only the power of Master alone which can come into play by his command. If I write anything further than this, it is possible that it may throw the readers into more doubt. Therefore, so far as the question of power is concerned, I may be considered a patient of T.B. who cannot even move his hands and feet.

The more man progresses forward the lighter becomes the form of Anand

(bliss) so much so that it cannot even be felt. And due to such condition, people have been deceived in front of my Master. If ever Mr. Ganeshan gets this condition he will again challenge me. It also happens that the bad thoughts will be aggravated and sometimes very much because unless these things are purified away from the system, it is difficult to reach near liberation. At one place, my Master has given a hint of the condition of the Ultimate approach of the devotee and has asked me not to bring it out in any writing or speech as it is the mystery of nature. If even a tinge of that condition is given, I think that the Satsangis like Ganeshan will not want to see even my face.

I had written to Ganeshan in the same letter, the copy of which is with you, 'I cannot keep you happy when you cannot understand the very spirit of training. Sometime the bitter conditions follow when the mind is being purged with the poisonous matter. As you have not given your case in my hand so you will always complain if anything beyond your taste and expectation comes in'. In answer to it, thank God, a satisfactory reply has come, the copy of which is given below:

"I am very sorry to note that I have misunderstood you recently and I pray with humble supplication at thy feet to forgive myself. Thine own unworthy, unruly son, I hope you surely do that now that the veil of darkness has been torn off from my heart yesterday evening whence forth I am experiencing a finer state by the Grace. If you had intimated me of the result of purging the mind of the poisonous Samskaras already, I would have been kept quiet as previously. I found no such thing in our books Reality at Dawn and the Efficacy and hence this misconception. I warmly welcome you here with open arms to stay with me for at least a month and shower thy blessings on me. You need not take me to be a ruffian. I bear no ill will, malice or jealousy towards anybody and I am a meek and humble being who has surrendered myself at thy feet unquestioningly. Under the above circumstances, it is for you to take me or reject me. Even if you kick me off, I have decided to stick to you firmly because you are my beloved father. The question of my making entirely lies with you according as you wish and I have nothing to dictate, command or order. I am here to obey you in an humble way. If

you goad me in my Abhyas I won't mistake you to be angry, since it is for my well-being. You have really dealt a very heavy blow at heart by asking me to quit. Does it behove you now, since I have clarified my case."

I had, by chance, replied to it even before receiving his letter. After awaiting its reply I shall write to him again. I have excused him and please pray that he be taking service from me. Dear Brother, I had great love for him and therefore I felt it too much. I consider yourself as my heart and I had started to consider him as my liver.

Poor fellow, he could not yet taste the state of love and instead of creating the pangs of realization in the real sense he became over enthusiastic.

Dear Brother, I say verily that I have suffered so much burning during the period of my Abhyas that there have been all burns in my chest. But those have become flower beds and flower gardens. I have crossed the field of spirituality by selling away peace i.e., I have given the sacrifice of peace to attain it. And God knows how many Barzaks there are (the intermediate places) where one has to go on stopping in order to proceed further. I have also written a letter to Babu Ishwar Sahai ji regarding the Barzaks (Buffer states) which you ought to study. I do not remember its contents much. And dear Brother, when one comes to have the experience that the real spiritual benefit can be had by a particular person he should leave himself to Him. Here as we have to attain liberation in one life only we should have to get rid of all the Sanskaras by undergoing the Bhoga (experience) of some and by frying away the remaining. A sequence had descended upon Ganeshan of which I was conscious but there were also other causes besides this, which I wanted to ask of him so that he could also have the experience. I had to purify them off by praying to Master pretty early to satisfy him, otherwise I wanted to keep them there for his own betterment. Anyway, you please pray that no such thing may creep in Ganeshan in future. Amen.

It takes for me many months to purify the system. This is the reason why Mr.

Srinivasan could not feel much. This (purification) is absolutely essential in the making of a Man and my attention always turns towards this and this verily is the command of revered Lalaji (Master) also. Ganeshan was purer by nature hence he felt the benefit very early.

Dear Brother, I consider that the special personality cannot do everything like brining each and everybody on the path of righteousness. Even Sri Krishnaji Maharaj could not rectify the brain of Duryodhana and there were many such people; and finally, he had to bring about the battle of Mahabharata. Even now it is possible that wars and bloodshed may rise to such an extent that a very large portion of the world may become devoid of population. Only those who were the devotees of Sri Krishnaji Maharaj could get the benefit from him. Therefore, Ganeshan cannot be correct in saying that the special personality himself shall turn the people towards this (spirituality). Your suggestion is extremely sound that we should busy ourselves in self-purification so that we may get benefited by Him (Special Personality).

While giving the sitting, you are finding myself instead of yourself. This is very good condition and to see me instead of others is also a very good condition like that-may-even better than that. You ought to be doubly encouraged by this act that the same power is taking work through you and you are only the instrument.

Brother Sarnad and Brother Lakshmi Narasimhan are very good persons. And all this is due to your Satsang. But Brother Lakshmi Narasimham requires lot of purification. You write, 'I get jealous by seeing all these people'. This cannot be called jealousy which is a very bad thing. This is called envy which means to try yourself to become as good as the others are; and this is the sign of progress and improvement. To feel them to be better than yourself is the sign of humility and is the perfection of human etiquette.

If you transmit to Shri K.K who is the Satsangi of Hyderabad with the

thought that the lust is going out from the backside in the form of smoke and that he is getting rid of it, he shall certainly get reduced in it. You may enquire about his condition after fifteen days for your satisfaction.

Dear Brother, my heart is hidden in my writing hence people are affected (influenced) by them and all this is due to the grace of God and Mercy.

I liked both the rubber stamps. I thank Dr. Kulkarni. May God give him reward for the interest which is developing for the Mission.

Your opinion regarding enrollment of members is quite right and I also wish the same; hence even here I have not got many forms filled up. Indeed the form should be got filled up when one develops full faith.

My dear, please complete my happiness and assist me in my work because I am getting old and weak. You alone shall be preceptor there. And whenever any one brings himself up to that level and the work with you increases to such an extent as to require further help; then let us see. The common rule is, the light should begin to flow automatically without any willful effort and even without his being aware of it, people begin to receive spiritual benefit from him then he is fit to be made a trainer.

The work there is entirely left to you alone and you have saved my labour to a great extent. May God bless you with progress by leaps and bounds and may the people be immensely benefited by you. God will it so. Amen. Therefore, you yourself may go through the diaries and you may transmit as required. The experience will show it to you. And if you want to understand any particular thing or consider it essential to bring it to my notice, or if any special help is necessary then you may write to me that much portion (of the diary). Other things written in the diary are very good. May God bestow upon all of you His love and grace.

Best wishes to Bahu and Children. Ashirwad to all Brothers.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : After writing this, I received the letter of Ganeshan in reply to that of mine which I had mentioned. He has written that Swami Vivekananda ji had challenged his Master to show him God, which is wrong. Somebody has told him so. Therefore, he had given me the challenge which was due to his own childishness. He has apologized very much. Now I have got nothing against him. He has also written 'I have written to Raghavendra Rao against you. You can get these letters from him or else ask him to destroy the same.'

A devotee of the Mission has written a letter, the copy of which I am sending to you. Brother, what great love he has; others may also read it. Don't bother about the English but see the sense.

"He who has been strayed in the morning and returns home in the evening, is not called strayed".

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 29 Shahjahanpur
No. A-306/SRCM Date : 29-07-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.BG 11/SRCM. You might have received my letter No.A 291/ SRCM dated 24-07-1956 in which there was a letter for Lakshminarasimhan with the information that his name has been entered in the register as a member. I have sent a draft reply for Ganeshan. Read it and make suitable with necessary changes in it. Or else if you do not consider

this draft as suitable, you may send your own reply. I have answered about your Sadhana which he has enquired also. And it is quite true and enough as a reply. If my draft itself is alright, then please correct the English because I am poor in English and I am little learned.

I had written a letter to Ganeshan in the end of which it was in a very submissive way. Its effect was very good and it is possible that he may not commit such thing in future. I had written to him 'just as you are busy in the external things, you should get busy inwardly also in the same way'. This sentence was disappointing for him. If God wills, he shall come round soon, if there is real love in his heart, my letter also will bring him to the right path.

The visions which are coming to your wife are good in the sense that the previous thoughts which are lying deep in her are going out. The lighter the transmission is given the more its potency will be and it shall aggravate the old thoughts and Samskaras (impressions) if you transmit to your wife, in-absentia, with the thought that her energy is increasing she will be benefited.

You need not stop the breath yourself when meditating. If it stops by itself, it is well and good. When the flight gets very high, it often happens that breath does not come for even hours; and when thoughtlessness is created, the breathing gets slowed down.

If you receive an article of Dr. K.C. Vardachari about occult P. (special personality) keep it safe. I have shed enough light on it in a guarded way in the Hindi book which I have written. It shall be published in due course. What have you written for Bhuvanesh to write something about Premchand? Please write it in your next letter so that I may understand the meaning clearly. The stories of Premchand are well-known here. I was already remembering Sri Lakshminarasimhan and now I am beginning to remember Sri Sarnadji also and the remembrance of Dr. Kulkarni sometime creeps in.

Best wishes to Bahu and Children.
Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : I have recently introduced a meditation in the Satsang which is proving very beneficial for purification. Please do it yourself and tell it to all the Satsangis as well. This is done for about ten to fifteen minutes in the morning before doing the meditation on the heart. You may start to do the meditation on heart as usual after doing this meditation.

MEDITATION

Think that you are drowned in the Ocean of Bliss (Anand), and that the waves of the ocean are coming from in front and going from the backside and that they are taking away along with them all the darkness, grossness and heaviness etc. of the body out from the backside. At that time it should be imagined that the body is transparent hence the waves are permeating and passing through the body.

Note : If this meditation is done for the diseases of the body with the thought that the diseases of the body or the particular disease is getting out of the body along with these waves, whatever the disease may be it can be cured. But I have shown this for your knowledge only. If Bahu (your wife) does this for sometime it will do her good for her illness. I hereby give permission for the same.

After receiving this letter, do write to me whether you feel that your brain has become fresh.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 30 Shahjahanpur
No. A-350/SRCM Dated : 28-08-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Your two letters dated 4th and 22nd Aug 1956 to hand, and also received the letter of Dr. K.C. Vardachari which I am returning after reading the same. I could not reply to your letters due to the illness of my mother. By the grace of God, there is no attack of the heart but the Asthama is worrying too much; and the weakness is so acute that she is unable to rise and sit. May God make her condition better so that I may take up the tour of South India, otherwise it appears difficult. I had sent to you the copy of my previous letter to Dr. Vardachari so that the philosophy of Sahaja Marga which he wanted to know, had been written in it to some extent may be brought home to your understanding also because as a trainer you too may feel the need of the same somewhere.

That is called desire, the fulfillment of which, brings pleasure to the heart and its non-fulfillment, sorrow and misery and pain, and the enjoyer of it are you alone and yourself alone the doer. Duty is the carrying out the commandment and non-attachment with the motive. Mohammed Ghazni had a slave by name Ayaz and loved him very much; and the other courtiers did not like this behaviour of the King. Someone asked the King “Why do you love Ayaz so much?” After sometime the King asked everyone of the courtiers to smash down a very costly tree of diamonds which he had brought from India and which was hanging from the ceiling. Everyone told that it is never advisable to smash down such a costly thing. And none touched it. Then the king called upon Ayaz and commanded him likewise. Ayaz obeyed the command immediately and smashed it to pieces. Then the king told the courtiers “because of this only I love Ayaz, he considers it his duty to obey my command and never bothered about the profit or loss”.

Therefore duty cannot be called as desire.

I am very happy to read the letter of Sri Sarvar Ali Khan, which he has written in reply to that of mine. And there are, no doubt, some good points. Whenever you write to him, please convey my salaams to him. One thing he has written very nicely, the reply to which, I am writing to you in a few lines. He writes that it is impossible to reach the Reality through the medium of reason. That (Reality) is after all, an intuitional (Wajdani thing). This is quite true and the Sufis (Moslem Mystics) mostly consider the Wajdani (intuitional) condition to be the real condition. But our thinkers have gone still further than this. Wajdani is, nevertheless, connected with matter and the "I-ness" is hidden in it. The condition which lies after this can indeed be called the real condition. And the reason cannot reach there and your friend himself has briefly explained it and has done so correctly. But, dear Brother, when the individuality goes away from the individual mind the Mind alone remains which is only one and it can then be called the Godly Mind. Just that alone brings to view the real condition for the self. The reach of reason is to the extent, to which you view the other thing with import. I have written very briefly for your understanding.

It is very good that Sri Dattatreya Rao is continuing. Sri Lakshminarasimhan also, if, God wills, will begin to attach himself. Amen. You did not like to tear down the confidential letters. This is not idolatry but it is due to the love and the allied thoughts. Sri Ishwar Sahai is of the opinion that the letters B.G. should not be written before the number in the letters. I agree with that opinion entirely. All of you might have observed the fast on Janmashtami and I hope you have experienced a lot of peace and tranquility. The health of your wife, I hope, is quite good by the grace of God.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 31 Shahjahanpur
No. A-376/SRCM Date : 18-09-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your loving letter of 7th September 1956. Sri Sarnadji's two letters to hand. When his first letter came I did not send the reply with a thought I would send it along with the letter to you, after the receipt of your letter, in order to save the postage. Now I have kept that reply in your cover. Please hand it over to him after reading it yourself.

You may do the meditation on the point 'B' before the two meditations or else for about five minutes after the meditation of the ocean of bliss and thereafter the meditation on the heart may be started. I have made the meditation (Re: Ocean of bliss) compulsory and have informed other Brothers also. I am receiving its praise from everywhere. Thanks to the Master that He has brought this meditation in my thought for our benefit.

Thank God that although your revered father is not a great lover of spirituality yet he at least likes it. When the time comes and God wills he shall also start it. As he is your father, you have to fulfill the Pirtra-Rin (debt to parents) and it shall be in the form of giving spiritual benefit. As God has made you fit for it, you may transmit to him in-absentia by purifying his system, sometimes. Whatever you have replied to Sri K. Dattareya Rao, is alright and he too really appears to be fit for spirituality. May God give him progress. I am very happy that I am receiving great help from the people of south India. And I am very thankful to Sarnadji that he has started to translate "Guru Sandesh" into English. Master Saheb has started to go through the translation (of the Ten Commandments)

which you have completed. But as he has started to construct a house taking loan from the Government, he gets little leisure now a day. Now Dr. Kulkarni has started to understand your method to be good and in this way if God wills, he shall develop belief and faith. Sri Ramkishen Raoji is a good and a devotional boy. Convey my best wishes when you write to him.

Shri Sarnadji is a very good man and is also a jignyasu (seeker). He can never remain without being benefited. And there is already the benefit which I hope, he shall begin to feel pretty soon. It is my earnest desire that my Satsangis should advance more than myself. But all this depends upon their love, labour and grace of God. When there is love and labour then the link does move and our jingling shall certainly reach the Master.

By the grace of God my mother is now better than before. Asthama became severe for her after her recovery from the heart attack. And she started to have the motions due to dysentery by sixty and seventy times and got attached with the cot. Now there are no motions and there is reduction in Asthama even. But there is that (Asthama) in some degree or the other. I am happy to note that your wife's health is now better. Good wishes to children. I sometimes remember your friend Munshi Ghulam Sarwar Khan, please convey my salaam to him. More wishes.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Sahaj Marg Magazine has been sent to Calcutta from Assam for printing We may get them within a fortnight. You shall receive about a dozen copies from Assam. You may get the remaining if necessary from me. I wish that there also subscribers should be made for it so that the thought of the Mission can reach them. One request to you is that you too please be sending articles or essays in English or Hindi, whichever you feel easy; and your friends also may send so that the Magazine may not be stopped due to the shortage of matter. At present fifteen pages have been provided for English and the remaining thirty or

forty pages for Hindi.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 32 Shahjahanpur
No. A-401/SRCM Dated : 30-09-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Your letter No.BG 5/SRCM dated 17th September 1956 to hand. I am pleased to read it. I am thankful to Sri Sarnadji that he has translated Guru Sandesh. Really, I am getting great help in this from you people. Please do send its copy to Ganeshan and you shall send me a typed copy of the same. Anyway, your guess is correct that love is growing in Ganeshan but dear Brother, he has to learn a great lot from you in this regard. I am very much pleased to read your sentence that the Magazine shall not stop due to the lack of articles. I expect this very thing from all of you. Brother, you have written 'I feel like repeating Babuji, Babuji, always'. I too feel like repeating Raghavendra, Raghavendra all the time.

Sher :

"Ishke awwal dardil mashook paida mee shavad,

Taanaa-e-sooje shama kiye parvana shaida mee shavad".

"Love develops first in the heart of the beloved;

The candle burns itself first so that the moth sacrifices on it."

Why should you write 'I have become sans sense' when you are doing the greatest sensible thing. You have written about your having become mad. If I write its reply according to your condition, it would be – if not mad, not even clever. And if I write the reply according to my old habit of humorous way it would be : 'the Mad one is clever in his own work'.

Dear Brother, only those who are clever even as mad can carry on the work of the Mission very efficiently. And my notoriety is in this very fact that you could be able to carry out the work of the Mission really efficiently, and could spread it, which, I hope you shall do.

The explanation which you had given, taking the reference of Bernard Shaw, is quite good and Babu Suraj Prasad who is an initiated Satsangi and who is the Head of the Department of Philosophy in Y.D. College has appreciated it very much. He is now here with me. Brother, what can I write in reply to your weeping and crying; its reply had already been given by Saint Kabir before your writing.

"Hansee Khel nahi Payeeya Jin Paya tin Roya,

Hansee Khel me Piyu mile to kon puharin Hoy"

"It is not a joke to have Him. Whoever got him wept.

If the beloved can be had so easily who shall take the trouble of worship".

Please write about the condition of the mother of Sri Lakshminarasimhan and about his children. Dr. Vardachari has sent me a letter in which he has made a reference to you and has asked the explanation of a para from me. I have replied, anyway. But, dear Brother, to write to him like this is like showing candle to the sun. He has written about the new meditation which you are doing. I am sending his letter and my reply (copies of them) for your perusal. You may probably find some useful things in them. You may keep them in your file after

going through the same. You need not return them to me.

Shri Ramakishan Rao is very good and devotional boy. The condition which he has written about himself is good. When he has got such an interest no obstacles can ever come in the Puja. Whatever advice you have given him is right and correct. You have finely written 'since you approached me nay-since I approached you – the desire of seeing God is going out of your heart'. It is so, because you have loved a lover of the desert (Veerana) and this is my fault only.

Why have you written "If I have written any ignoble thing, please excuse me". I think that you have never left nobility in any sentence of your letter. And dear Brother, if one even scolds me in love I shall be exceedingly delighted. Babu Ishwar Sahai is busy constructing his house now-a-days, therefore, he gets little time to read and write. Best wishes to children, when you write to Sri Ramkrishna, please write my best wishes to children and my best wishes to him.

Best wishes to all the Brothers.
Well-wisher, Ram Chandra.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 33 Shahjahanpur
Date : Oct.1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.38/ BG/SRCM dated 10th October, 1956. I am happy to read it. I am sorry that I could not reply to it earlier

even though I knew that you were eagerly waiting for it. The reason is that I had called Shri Ishwar Sahai during the holidays of Diwali and I had thought that I would dictate through him my reply. I ought to have acknowledged the receipt of your letter, at least through a post card of three paises. But I did not do it because I had to save the money of the Mission. You may say that I regarded three paises, but I did not feel your inconvenience. For this you should have drawn the consolation from the fact that the waiting also is a sort of intense remembrance which is greatly beneficial in spirituality. A poet too has written, 'The delight which I found in waiting I could not have it in meeting the beloved'. Therefore, this inconvenience has welcomed the spring in another sense. You know already, what my weakness is that whenever I want to dictate something good, the writer also should be good. I am helpless in writing because my heart does not reach my fingers.

Your opinion about Dr. K.C. Vardachari is correct. I pray that his problem may be solved and he may have his correct step on the inner path. I also love him. As usual I had to write some letters to him, in which, I have shed some light on the method of Abhyas, which should be known to every preceptor. Some of his letters are private, therefore, I shall not send their copies. But in my replies there is no such thing which may point out to his private affairs. I consider orthodoxy to be just as a wall erected by one, before himself, by which the way is barred in front. But this thing somehow comes. And this defect has come into us by observing the Muslims continuously, otherwise we had such a stream flow that not a single particle could stagnate.

Brother Ganeshan has rightly written that there are very few south Indians who get benefit from the spiritual articles. This is more or less everywhere. North India is also not free from this. Here the case is, you go on writing and let the people read them in large numbers. It is impossible that these things may not make the impression upon the brains any time. Whatever gets into the mine of salt, becomes salt itself. You will come across the intellectual class in the South very much. But the opinion about them, which I had once given to Mr.

Rajgopalan of Delhi, is they love their own sentiments. I have written that you are quite enough to see the diary of Shri Dattatreya Rao and to train everyone – this is quite correct and it is full of power. Thank God that the interest of your Brother is also growing up. May God will it that he too may take up the path and may solve the problem of his life. I too have got Narad Bhakti Sootra. It is very good. That which you have felt about your condition (which you have described as "the upper half of the sphere is the sky" etc.) is the state of the Darshan of the Virat Roop, because your present place of the spiritual sojourn is the Astral Plane or the Brahmananda Mandal. Arjuna has seen this phenomenon. Your thought is correct, which you have expressed thus 'it appears that some link has snapped somewhere'. You may consider this as the link has been connected with the source and instead of the worldliness you are getting the 'news' of the other world. And dear Brother, one has to forget anyway, either myself or yourself, but this stage is a very advanced one. But, Brother do not try to forget me. Because I am now myself an instrument for you to forget yourself. And when this is completed in all respects, you yourself shall become the instrument to forget me. Then alone oneness shall be realized. If I write the condition of the Ultimate stage, the scientists may possibly pounce upon me. It is extremely difficult to express the ultimate limit but I shall write this much any way; when the Abhyasi forgets himself as well as God, then it can be considered that he can never come in this world again in any form. In such condition he shall remain drowned in such an ocean that there is nothing except That for him. Prior to it he would have sold away his world for the other world. Now if he could sell away even the other world, the Reality alone remains.

Dear Brother, how could you be provoked by Dr. Vardachari to ask of me the scientific explanation? What am I and what is the extent of my knowledge? I am a simple and an unlearned man. And you are asking of such man the meaning of God, who may possibly give you the meaning of dog; no knowledge is left remaining with me.

But Brother, the beloved can make the lover crawl in any way he pleases.

Even the crawling too the beloved teaches the lover. And the spirit of crawling also the lover receives from the beloved. Therefore, the movement in which I set out, if it is correct, it carries your own praise and if it is wrong, it involves your own betrayal. If now, you ponder over this with a comprehensive view, you shall comprehend that we have received this crawling from Him alone whose remembrance excites the devotees with extreme restlessness. Whatever has reached or descended has expanded; that which has been seen or felt has come into view just like a pint which is full of water getting the impulse of a spill over and its volume goes on increasing. And then there were our Rishis to catch (Grahan) the movement of this swelling. And their attention was also towards it, because it was the beginning of the times (Zamana) and no Sanskaras had any entrance in them till then. The thing came into their awareness exactly as it swelled up. Of course it did happen that somebody's attention fell over that solid thing which has assumed a greater density and someone's view fell over that subtle stream (Dhar) in which there was less swelling. What can solid thing be? Those things were essential for the needs of ours and everybody. Hence, they went into them and left the subtler thing for the subtle seers. Of course, the needs are there, of fire, water and air. They have to work from time to time according to their speed. They took up these things only and created such an inner condition in themselves that they could give them the movement from the very place where there is the effect of that solid current. Hence, Agni, Vayu etc. are given the impulse from there where it was mostly connected with that and the required result comes up. In my humble opinion their view reached the elements at first because there was power in them. Therefore, you may observe that only such Mantras are written in the beginning with which we may get those results which are essential to maintain and keep up our life, which is also an essential thing. After lapse of time after being engrossed with the elements, it was felt that the thought has remained focussed upon it after continuously dwelling on it. Further, again they started to ponder over that original current which shall be called spirituality. The result of this is the Upanishad and this is the result of their original thinking. Will you not conclude from this that the form of evolution has been maintained in this and this has become the history of flight of

thought?

The above is the writing of unlearned one and the result of his mental reminiscence. Now I come to the main issue. Ved is really that condition which was before the time of the creation of the universe and the bliss of which, may God give you that condition, you too shall have. Therefore, it is quite true that the Vedas come into existence at the time of the creation of universe, which have been shaped into the form of books. It is as if the conditions have been given a dressing. What was existing then? The same churning condition and the creation of the atom. The thing which constituted the atom was the result of the activities of the churning. In other words, the atom is connected with that thing which is the result of this churning. Now, whatever might be the result and it took many other forms – their mental standing did remain in their originality. And whatever that condition was, it should be definitely called as scientific. Because it never happened that the combination of oxygen and hydrogen would not produce water. I call that thing alone scientific which produces the same result always whoever experiments it. Now whatever might have been the result, when the view fell over its originality, it brought to knowledge of its origin now, the Vedic Rishis taking the dim sound created by the churning of these currents as the basis, remained in search of That whose Shabd (sound) this was. Therefore in the Rig Ved, whatever I have heard being read in some of its beginning portions, this very sound or Shabd is utilized. In other words, this was the key to reveal the Real thing. Now, when they have found the key and the Real Thing began to get revealed, another sound started. That is a new chapter opened up for the spiritual purpose and the flight of the thought began to get more intensified still further. When they got the inkling of Reality through the Shabda, the Rishis resolved to dive still deeper into it. And when they dived into it and caught hold of that part of the thread (link) the first lesson which they understood was the emotion of “Ekoham Bahusyamaha” (The one becoming many). But this was the worldliness of the Real Thing, that is the lower thought. Now the thought jumped still further and they caught the upper thread. They became aware that this was the resounding created due to the motions of the currents; and that

there is something even beyond this. The search too continued and went above this thought of "Ekoham Bahusyamaha" In the other words such kind of worldliness was left out now. In other words, the gross form of that Real Thing, which was before our view disappeared and or jump commenced beyond it. Then what was there? Even the thought of duality in which there was the doubt also as to what extent it can be, began to bubble up. Weighed the self and deeply pondered over it. By pondering deeply got the thought that it was only due to the human nature that we have been observing ourselves. When we understood this completely our nature and thought got attached with that Real Thing which is engrossed in us. It was as if the thought began to swim in that current, went on still further. Found out that all this cream which was the result of the churning action, is not the Reality. Now the steps went further on. This is the approach of the middle part which has been described above.

Progressing still further, the fragrance of bliss began to be felt. Now a question may arise as to how it was felt when the thought had become one with it. The only answer is that the same cream was the solid state of the very particles which we have grasped in our thought. The (State of) Bliss did come, we also stayed there, and we felt it too; and concluded that this is the very thing which was being sought for. Some people remained there and the remaining went further than this condition of Satchidananda. And proceeding on such a state engulfed that they got stuck up in Non Duality. Vedas are most probably silent further than this, because they have described it as indescribable (Anirvachaniya) and declared Neti, Neti (not this, not this). Now the same question of science comes once again, I think I have given the reply to some extent. But if you want still more we should say that we are on the path and we have made ourselves such that we are in conformity with the Reality. Then it can be definitely be said that Reality alone is in our view-nay we ourselves have become such. We have become the basis of the Real Knowledge, nay, we ourselves have become the knowledge. Now decide for yourself whether this is scientific or not. Brother, I do not seem to have the nerve (strength) to write further than this. Now, if I write the whole Veda, then I may possibly write even

about that sound also which is penned down in the Mantras. The remark of Dr. Vardachari that they are truer than the mathematical symbols, can be correct when we get dissolved in it and the very thing comes before the view which is true (right) and whoever goes on the path the same thing come before them. Now you may think that there are poetical points in it, where there is the possibility of exaggeration also. Yes, dear Brother, it helps the thought to pick up by constructing its surroundings in order to show the Real Thing. I am also often obliged to take work from it. For example, I shall write a couplet "Natava Kais-va Najneen Laila Koyi, Parada Uthaye Mahamalka" (The lover is weak and the beloved is very delicate, let somebody raise the veil up). Now if you ponder over the meaning of this, it is proved that the Lover and the Beloved both are inactive which is real condition that is, that condition which is the Reality is expressed thus. Love to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 34 Shahjahanpur
No. A-469/SRCM Dated : 09-11-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No. 42/BG/SRCM, Dated 05-11-1956. I am pleased. Sahaj Marg magazine is being printed at Calcutta. I received 478 copies directly from there, within three days, around to reach Assam from Calcutta, it will take many more days. That is why Kashi Ram could not send them. Since you are restless about it, one copy to you and one to Ganeshan is being sent by book post. You may also receive from Assam.

Sri K. Dattatreya Rao is getting benefited but he is not feeling it because there is darkness in the heart and grossness in the body. You might have told him about the methods to get rid of these things and you may also be helping him. While replying to your earlier letter, I have dictated about Vedas and the same was given to Babu Ishwar Sahai. He wants to keep a copy of the same. After that he will send it to you. On receiving it please acknowledge and also write your opinion whether I have been able to express it correctly. Because, Brother, I am connected with ignorance and books remained closed during my Abhyas. I often remember Shri Lakshminarashiman.

Blessings to children.

Your well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 35 Shahjahanpur
No. A-500/SRCM Date : 04-12-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.45/ BG/SRCM dated 15th Nov. 1956. I wanted to reply earlier but so much delay occurred. Now, if you apply the mathematical calculations to it, it cannot form a graph, nevertheless, it can be definitely be felt as the period of silence, but that too only when you take work from the calculations, and if you do not know the calculations, then it has to be considered as the incalculable (immeasurable). That is, your knowledge has clothed it in such bondage that you began to bring the immeasurable into measurements. This verily is the individuality and a Veil and all the practice and

austerities are meant to remove this alone. At the time of creation everything was not available quite measured and sized up; therefore, everything was to manifest in its Real reflected state. The river was there in front and nothing and no particle whatsoever did form before the view, which would have obstructed the vision.

Our theory is that man was perfect when he was first born. Hence, it is evident that these knots have been formed by men alone, which are the hindrances for the view to be taken to the Source. His activity has formed a world in himself. The reason is that the workman had sent us pure and crystal clear. And it is the mark of the best workman. The responsibility of the dirt and dust which has come over, is upon us alone. We have ourselves formed the Sanskaras (impressions), which have become coverings over coverings and have succeeded in covering up like the silkworm in the cocoon. Having come out of the ocean of Reality we were Reality alone from top to toe. Now because our primary condition was like that, our vision could straight away see That without any obstruction and it had the knowledge of That; the form of which can be considered as the Vedas. And dear Brother, remind me when I am with you, of this. If God wills, I shall try to make you experience this condition. It shall be left to you to feel. The language of Sanskrit is said to be more natural. The reason is that it was the beginning. And in order to converse and to understand mutually, they moved the tongue in accordance with what they felt. If you deeply ponder over the alphabets of Sanskrit you shall find the rise and fall in it in the form of (natural) Vibrations. And in that language, they have written by feeling every vibration; and they started to call it Sanskrit. (Divine) Revelations have come to them in no particular language. Divine revelations come even now but mostly and correctly to those who have regained their original condition and have got the connection with the Original Source. And it always comes in the form of Vibrations. But these vibrations touch the impression of the language which he knows and strike the mind and he become aware (feels) through the words which he has learnt. Swami Vivekanandaji has written that the Revelations occur mostly in poetry. It does not happen so; at least in the case of a real seeker who should

not lose the Reality by getting entangled in the surroundings. Surroundings point to the thing which is connected with it; just like the smoke points out to the fire of which that is the smoke.

Constant remembrance is firstly that which you are doing. Secondly when the brain gets tired the remembrance of That will produce the same effect. The object is deliverance. You have written that the inner condition does not remain uniform, it is sometimes extremely subtle and light and sometimes contrary to it. This goes on happening. If lightness and heaviness which are mutually opposed states do not come into view the changeless condition which is an extremely subtle state cannot be known (recognised). Apart from this when we proceed on to the further point then on which our present subtle abode is, then heaviness is felt. It is felt until the time when the subtle state sets in after removing its effect. And this sequence goes on; until we come to such a state after which there are no points. Therefore, you might have by now understood that all these things are showing the state of your progress.

You have written, "please give me that thing which you consider essential for me" and further, "I hope you shall certainly give it". The worldly answer for this is that when I am yours, everything of mine is yours already. And my real desire is that I want to sell away myself but no buyer comes forward. And it is because, that I have fixed no price for me. So, such are the times that none wants to have me even free. And in a way, it is alright that what should one do with handful of bones ?

"Nanak Budhe Bail Ko Kon Bandh De Bhusa"

"O Nanak, who would tie up and feed an old Ox?"

So, dear Brother, please get yourself ready to buy me, so that I need not go on hawking from door to door saying "Mankash Pharoshim, Dil Sadbara Khushim".(I am for sale).

And dear Brother, the desire for good health and wealth is there in everybody to some extent and it is a fact beyond doubt. But you have got the desire for that which is yours alone and which is with you; and hence you are more worried for it.

Brother, I received the letter of Ganeshan and I am sending it to you after reading it. I had shown you here enough about initiation and I shall tell you all thing about it when you come here. And it is a fact that I do not maintain any difference in the training of the initiated and uninitiated members. If one is my heart and other is liver. If I start to do it, (differentiate) it should be understood that the veil of "otherness' has not yet been lifted up. If some differences comes up naturally it must be considered as due to the effect of initiation. And I do not make it (initiation) common everywhere because their hands have to be given in the hands of Master. And the "shake hand" happens only when the mutual relationship is created. Now if I start this method with every Tom and Dick the result would be that they may run away but I shall be left in great agony and complications, which can be the cause for extreme pain and suffering. Therefore, when the Abhyasi gets full belief that he shall be benefited by the method and the person, and feels that he has to remain at this door, then there is no harm.

I thank Sarnadji that he has sacrificed his valuable time and translated "Guru Sandesh" which I received. I hope and expect from you people that you shall be doing such works even in future also. I received your article also yesterday from Lakhimpur. I shall read it after dictating this letter, and shall send it to Shri Kashi Ram, who is now here, for publication.

Brother, Lakshminarasimhan is a man of love. And the test of love is that one should do that which is liked by him whom he loves. It is possible that I cannot understand the meaning of Zero in as good a manner as others do, because the Zero cannot know the condition of Zero nor the dead of the corpse. In a way, you may call it a condition where all senses bid farewell and we become

living dead or else when we get merged in Reality in such a way that every discrimination is lost and the difference between the Real and the imitation is not discerned.

I and Babu Ishwar Sahai will leave on 10th December by night train and reach Jhansi at noon after 11 O' clock. Boarding the Grand Trunk Express from there at about 1 O'clock in the night, reach Tirupati on 14th December. I could not get the southern railway time table and hence could not prepare the tour program properly. I had written to Shri N. Kumaraswamy at Madras to send the time table. But it was in Tamil language. Since it is not useful for me, he has not sent it. I have written to Mr. Rajgopalan for the same. If it is available there, it may take 2-3 days to reach here. My mother's health now is very good. Now there is neither Asthma nor heart problem. Ever since she has fallen ill, it never happened that she got completely rid of these diseases like this. All this is the effect of your prayer. But there is certainly one new complaint, in which there is relief also; that is she is unable to lift her right leg while walking. Therefore she has to be supported for attending nature's calls. More worry was about the diseases she was suffering from. Now, by God's grace she is all right. Blessings to all brethren.

Blessings to children.

Your well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Please intimate Shri Dattatraya Rao of Hyderabad about my arrival there. I may reach your place in the first week of January. (I am in receipt of a letter from Ganeshan. His new address is as follows: NO.7, Sant Veerappan Lane, Tiruchirak port, Tiruchinapalli.)

I am in receipt of southern railway time table. We start from here on 10th December, reach Jhansi, stay for a day there and reach Tirupati on 14th December. Babu Ishwar Sahai is with me. I am going to stay with Dr. K.C.

Vardachari. I may reach Madras on 17th or 18th. Shri C.M.T. Mudaliar is at Hyderabad. In view of this, I may stay with Shri Kumaraswamy. My address will be C/o Shri N. Kumaraswamy, Andhra State Cooperative Bank Limited, Branch Madras, 11/12, Second line, Beach, Madras.

I will send a M.O. for Rs.100/- to you, and I shall take that on my arrival there because I have Six or Seven hundred rupees with me. Now dear Brother, I have sent a deposit as an assurance of my arrival.

Blessings to children.

Your well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 36 Madras
No. A-533/SRCM Date : 18-12-1956

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter in Tirupati. Any amount of praise in case of Dr. Vardachari falls short. Your opinion is for the Branch. I also agree to this. Since 6th January is Sunday, keep it on that day. I have kept my concluding speech almost ready, which is in English. If you think of getting it printed, you may write to Tiruchirappalli address for the number of copies you require. I have the Emblem (block for printing) with me, I will get the required number of copies printed there. I came to Madras on 17th December evening and I am staying with Kumaraswamy. I propose to leave for Thanjavur on 23rd by evening train. There I will reach Mr. Srinivasan's place on 24th morning and I will

leave on 25th afternoon at about 2 O' clock to reach Tiruchirappalli, at 4 O' clock, and stay at Ganeshan's place. I propose to leave that place on 3rd January and will reach your place on 3rd or 4th. I shall intimate you about the train and the time from Tiruchirappalli. I think, for going to Gulbarga I may have to come to Madras again from Tiruchirappalli. The disciples of Dr. Vardachari are insisting I should stay at Renigunta at least till the next train. I too prefer that. Vardachari has also told me that he will meet me at Renigunta station, Please convey my blessings to all.

Blessings to children.
Your well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Namaste from this servant Ishwar Sahai. Please convey my namaste to all Brothers and sisters.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 37 Tiruchirappalli
No. A-552/SRCM Dated : 26-12-1956

My dear Brother,

Due to trouble to my mother, who had recently fallen down accidentally, I have decided to cut short the tour program consequently I shall be reaching there on the night between 1st January and 2-1-57 at 01.39 a.m. by Bombay express. It may be a bit inconvenient to you to be at the station at that time, so I shall wait at the station for the night and come to your house.

The date of inauguration function stands as previously decided but I propose to leave Gulbarga soon after. Please inform your friends of the change in

the program. With best wishes and love to children.

Yours affectionately, Ram Chandra

P.S: I have opened one training centre at Madras under the supervision of Kumaraswamy and one centre at Tiruchirappalli under the supervision of M. K. Ganeshan. Both the centres will be under Gulbarga branch. I am not getting the speech printed. I agree with your opinion.

Blessings to all Brothers and sisters.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 38 Shahjahanpur
No. B-47/SRCM : 13-01-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I reached this place safely yesterday afternoon. I had stayed for one day at Kanpur and for one day at Lucknow. Master Saheb shall leave for Lakhimpur tomorrow. Mother's health is better than before by the grace of God now. Shri Dattatreya Rao and your Brother had met us at the Railway Station and we felt quite at ease due to them. I feel that your Brother has got great love towards me. It is no wonder that he may proceed upon your system. He has told that he would come to me along with you during the summer vacation.

This will be a matter of great pleasure for me. You might have been to Hyderabad and might have met Dattatreya Rao. You should give more attention

towards the cleaning of the satsangis, and be transmitting to them in absentia individually or collectively whenever you are at leisure. I feel that something is born in Deccan which is attracting the hearts of people towards spirituality. Here I received a letter from Dr. K. C. Vardachari, which was full of love. This, dear Brother, is his own ability; I do not feel myself so charming for anybody to love me so much. I remember your youngest daughter very much. Please convey my Namaste to the Satsangi Brothers.

With more love and best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S: Try to get the report of the function at Gulbarga and the Presidential Address published in the Hindu Newspaper (daily) early. They cannot be published if sent too late. I have sent them for publication in the Pioneer News Paper here. It shall be published soon. You also try for it.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 39 Shahjahanpur
No. B-82/SRCM Dated: 28-01-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your loving letter dated 18th Jan, 1957. I have sent 17 No.'s of invitation cards by Book Post which you might have received. The remaining may be used next year. Thank God that Brother Madhava Rao has got love for this insignificant being in his heart. He has also promised to come over here during the summer vacation along with you. May God bless him with success in his aim. The substance of the address at Gulbarga has been

published in the Pioneer, a daily of Lucknow, which you may show it to your friends and keep it in your files. This has been published in the issue of 2001-1957. Probably, Master Saheb too may send you a copy of the same. I thought that the original also ought to be with you.

Let Brother Sarnadji's subscription for the Magazine as well as the cost of Books be with you for the time being. Some one or other from Assam shall definitely come here to attend the function of the Janam Din, I shall hand over the same to him so that the Money Order Commission can be saved.

You may read the book by Ouspensky leisurely. You may bring the book along with you when you come here, If God helps, I shall certainly write a few lines in its criticism, I have understood his theory, because he has attacked the Hath Yogis and those advocates of raising of Kundalini. By the Grace of God your journey of Brahmand Mandal is over by more than half. I am receiving letter of Dr. K.C. Vardachari, which are full of love and which are indicating very good condition. He has really handed over to me everything due to which I have to naturally worry about his wife and children. Dear Brother, you really got a very good man and he shall progress very much.

I do not know the address of Dr. Kulkarni and dear Ramkishen. Please send to them the receipts of their donations, which are enclosed herewith. Best wishes to children. I am again reminded of your little daughter while writing this letter and often remember her. Best wishes to the Brothers of Satsang.

I love the young kids who are more innocent. I remember the child of Sri K. Lakshmi Narasimham also and feel like feeding the baby.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 40 Shahjahanpur
No. B-94/SRCM Dated: 8/9-02-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.81-BG/SRCM dated 28th Jan. 1957. I am glad to note that Shri Sridhar Raoji is continuing the Abhyas and that your nephew also has started (the abhyas). I received the form duly filled in by Sripat Raoji and there was no signature of the member. I shall get it signed by Shri Ishwar Sahai. I received the copies of the letters of Dr. Vardachari and also the report. Judge Saheb had come in the Utsav and Shuklaji could not come. I have conveyed your Pranam to him. Although the daughter of Judge Saheb was seriously ill yet he could not help coming here.

Yes, do put question to Dr. K.C. Vardachari about the thought of Ouspensky. The questions are quite good. The condition of your wife might have got better by the grace of God. Dr. Vardachari has also felt sweet smell after one or two sittings. I also remember your kids very much and if God helps I shall try to come there during next year. Brother, I also remember the child of Brother Lakshmi Narasimham. May God keep all of them happy.

You have asked as how to develop faith. If some trust is put in the trainer and some benefit is felt due to him, this will begin to develop faith in the heart of a real seeker. And dear Brother, you want the living faith should be there in your heart always. I assure you let the evil eye be destroyed that there is no dearth of it in you. One condition certainly comes and that is a spiritual condition – that its form become such that it can never be separated. God shall bestow that condition also.

You have asked a very intricate question “When do the reason and feeling

become one?" The short reply for it would be–Both Laila and Majnun live in the same place.

You may consider their combination as that of body and soul or of mind and intellect (Buddhi). Both are almost necessarily co-existent. Further on, reason takes a different form which is called Divine Wisdom. And when this happens the form of feeling also gets changed i.e., the feeling also begins to conform to it. One will be the shower and the other will be the informer. I shall tell one more thing; the feeling is very closely connected with the sound and reason (intellect) is very closely connected with the closeness of the feeling ; in other words the feeling is nearer to sound and the intellect is nearer to the feeling. Nothing will go away but only its proper use begins. Your constant remembrance is not pertaining to reason (intellect) but pertains to the heart. Please pester Vardachari about reason and feeling; he shall give a good reply. My reply is that of an unlearned one. Constant remembrance is not felt but it is done; and you already know the method.

Two more persons have joined in Trichy. Best wishes to all the Brothers of Satsang and also to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

Two persons from Assam have come to join in the Utsav among others and they are leaving for Assam today, and two sisters have also come here from Assam. The marriage of the son of Pandit Ramadas Chaturvedi shall take place shortly and the Baraat (the marriage party) will go to Allahabad from Lucknow on 13th Feb. I had not intended to attend the marriage but however, decided otherwise. The reason is that the daughter of Judge Saheb was seriously ill and I wanted to see her at Allahabad.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 41 Shahjahanpur
No. B-108/SRCM Dated: 10-02-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

May you live long. After writing to you I received a letter from Dr. Varadachari that from 11:30 p.m. of 3rd February 1957, he was seriously ill and was suffering from Hernia orchitis. He has not yet recovered. The pain is severe. You may also write a letter of sympathy to him. May God bestow on him good health soon.

Blessings to children.
Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 42 Shahjahanpur
No. B-129/SRCM Date : 22/28-02-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I had come to Lakhimpur as per the desire or as per necessity and I had to stay here till today, the 21st. I will be going back tomorrow. Probably you might have sent your letter to Shahjahanpur. I will reply it from there only. From this place I am replying only that letter which Ganeshan has written to Ishwar Sahai and I too received his letter in a similar tone. I had replied that letter in such a manner that Ganeshan should have felt greatly ashamed. But, Brother, Trichy centre has become an abscess.

I knew it, but still I had to give permission to Ganeshan for training and for that I had to initiate him also. I had sent you the copy of all the letters I had received from him before my tour of South India. Well, that matter got settled. Now, his behaviour and mentality took a different turn. Having no alternative I had to send you all the correspondence in this regard for your perusal so that you may correct my mistake. Before taking work from Ganeshan I had told him to take special care of these habits. But these are now aggravated and getting manifested. You might be remembering that I had written you and also wrote to him clearly that there was a smell of jealousy in him, when you were given permission (for training) prior to him. You did not agree to this opinion of mine at that time. Now this feeling is finding its full expression.

Wherever I went, I tried to clear doubts of all satsangis of that time so that they become useful for work. I did the same at Trichinapalli also. Among the members I selected one Mr. A. Krishnamurthy who had developed much love and who is also trying to spread the Satsang. Therefore I kept sprinkling his heart also with the fountain of love. The result was that the trainer Sahab did not like this, and he wrote in an unbecoming tone. The starting point of this thing was only this much; on reaching Shahjahanpur I informed of my safe reaching to A. Krishnamuthy, thinking that all, including Ganeshan would know about it. This was intolerable to Ganeshan. I need men like Raghavendra Rao and not like Ganeshan for the work in South India. Inshort, the total correspondence is sent to you, as you are in charge of that centre. On your writing to him or on explaining to him, if Ganeshan comes to the right path permanently, so far so good. And if he does not, I will close the centre if you opine so. God is the doer of all things; man is only an instrument. This is the result of my blindness that knowing fully well, I thought he would improve. I had also hinted him to take care of these things. Dr. K.C.Varadachari has written a letter to Ishwar Sahai from which I came to know that he is suffering from typhoid. Brother, your batch is quite good and it is all the result of your ability and love. May God bless you. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 43 Shahjahanpur
No. B-131/SRCM Dated: 28-02-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life, I received your letter No.95/ BG/SRCM dated 17-02-1957 after I reached Shahjahanpur. The debts which Shri Sarnadji has told are true. So I did a good thing in not wearing the sacred thread (Janiva) although some Pandits advised me to wear. Well, I am saved from these debts. Well, this is just for a fun. Really speaking, everyone has to repay three debts. The philosophy in this respect is in my view at this moment. But as there is no one to take it down I will leave it at this only. We have to concern ourselves with the real purpose. You are however, repaying these debts. Brother, I would like to substitute the words 'debts of Master' instead of 'debts of the Rishis' (Rushi Runa). I want to repay this debt, and it would be possible only when I can prepare a person just as my Master has prepared me. But, the repayment of even that is really in the hands of my Master only.

Everyone is apt to receive the blows in this life of this world, and this has happened in your case regarding your salary. If you cannot think this as a gift from the Beloved, think it as from the Satan and you will have some courage. The heaviness will disappear by God's grace and probably it has even disappeared. You need not send Ouspensky's book now. You can bring it during summer vacation.

The magazine is printed. You have requested for a dozen copies which are being sent along with this letter. I will be receiving them from Assam. At present, postal strike is going on there.

The condition of Sri Sridhar Rao will be made known by Sri Sarnadji.

By God's Grace, the daughter of Judge Saheb is well. I have received a letter from Dr. K.C. V. He is very weak. He was very cheerful in his serious illness. This was his courage only. It is amply testified by the letters which are full of love even in such serious illness. In one of his letter he has written in a way which shows that he is in all love from top to toe. These are his words. You can read his feelings carefully. 'Master Thou art the ocean of Bliss, Perfection and Power. I am but thy body, existing for thee, governed by thee, O, God, Have Grace for me'.

Blessings to children. Convey my blessings to all the Brothers.
With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 44 Shahjahanpur
No. B-188/SRCM Dated: 25-03-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

Blessings. Your letter NO.107/BG/SRCM dated 1803-1957 to hand. I was pleased to note the contents. I had sent the magazines and the correspondence of Mr. Ganeshan through parcel on 28-02-1957. There were two letters which were replies to your and Sri Sarnadji's letter. But the parcel came back in tampered and torn condition on 22-03-1957 with the remark that Shri Raghavendra Rao was not available. The parcel was torn to such an extent that I very much doubt some letters are lost. As the postman here always obliges me, he rewrote the address and took it away for posting. By this time it should have reached you.

I knew from the letter that copies of the magazine are received from Assam. In case you have more than the required you can present them to the libraries, persons interested or to your friends. Please send a copy of the same to Brother Sri Madhav Raoji.

On my return from the tour I got a letter from Krishnamurthy of Trichy. I informed him about my safe arrival thinking that all including Mr. Ganeshan will know about it. Mr. Ganeshan took this otherwise, and did not like this, on the ground that as a matter of etiquette, I should have first written to Mr. Ganeshan as I was his guest. He had also written that South India is the land of etiquette and that if I were to spread the Mission, I should abide by this etiquette. Perhaps he also wrote that because Mr. Krishnamurthy loves me very much, I had written to him. I explained all the matter to him and apologized. I wrote to him and I would feel uneasy until he excused me on this account. In reply he wrote to me that I should follow proper etiquette. On this, I kept quiet. He took advantage of this and also wrote to Sri Ishwar Sahai in a harsh tone teaching him etiquette. He too explained the matter and apologized. I did not mind even this. After this he wrote a post card to Sri Ishwar Sahai which was underlined “if you do not believe in my devotion my duty to the Mission ends”. I did not tolerate an initiated member growing so haughty and mannerless. I wrote to him that I would be sending all his correspondence to the Branch, and that I would close Trichy center if Sri Raghavendra Rao opines so. I am also enclosing in the parcel the reply I gave to his letter. After that a post card was received. I replied that also. A copy of my reply together with his post card also are enclosed in this letter. I had an inkling of his manners and etiquette on seeing him only. I had only given him instructions so that he should improve his behaviour. I had told Sri Ishwar Sahai that this gentleman was neither fit for initiation nor for spiritual training. Sri Sahai replied that he should be instructed in this matter and that he would improve.

I get angry on initiated members and I cannot tolerate their misbehavior because principally speaking they are my spiritual offsprings, and they become

heirs to their Guru's earning especially, the trainees who are in charge of mending others behaviour. There is a saying that : "if hedonism (Kufr.) takes its birth in Kaaba then how can Islam survive ?".

Afterwards much controversy occurred between Ganeshan and Krishnamurthy. I brought all of them around supporting Ganeshan at the same time. I am so shameless that I do not at all mind any amount of abuse from anybody. But I cannot tolerate where the Mission's interest is concerned. Now you can write to Ganeshan.

Now comes the reply to your letter ;

Prayer : "May God bless you with the long life and fair name in this world; May he create circumstances for the prosperity of the Mission".

I felt so much happy over this that I can give everything even selling my flesh and skin. May God increase your receptive capacity. Brother, this sentence of yours is simply wonderful. I too had told him the same sentence at Trichy.
Kabir has written:

"Jab hum the tab Guru nahi,

Jab Guru hai hum nahi,

Prem gali ati sankari, usme do na samaye".

"When "I" was there, there was no Guru.
When Guru is there, I am not there.
The path of Love is so narrow that it cannot contain the two".

According to Islamic conviction we are said to be offsprings of Adam who was

thrown on this earth for having eaten the forbidden fruit. Naturally, the same thing (i.e., the effect) should pass in us all. But, Brother, crores of years have passed since the happening of this event. How can there be any effect of it now in your blood? That effect was lost, being mixed in blood, of course, Hawwa, his wife, has not left (chasing) us. For generation together she has been manifesting herself. This very Hawwa brought us to heaven from our homes, and we were also kicked to this earth by her boots. Brother, what a degradation. Now, if we stop running after this Hawwa, we will again regain the (lost) paradise. Forget the idea that you were Adam, and Lo! You will reach the very original abode from which you have come. The story of Adam and Hawwa finds its similarity in the story of Manu and Satyarupa in our Hindu mythology. You forget that you are Adam, and to free you from Hawwa is my responsibility. You are now, however meditating upon the form to get rid of the idea of Adam.
Ghalib has written:

"Na tha kuch to khuda tha,

kuch na hota to khuda hota,

Duboya mujhko hone ne, na hota to mai kya hota"

"When there was nothing. God was there.
Had I not become this; I would have become God.
This becoming has ruined me. What would have happened if I would no have become"?

Write to Sri. Ramakrishnaji that I am alright now. Convey blessings to him, to Sri Raghavendra Rao and his Brother. May God bestow health to Sri Kishan Rao's child as early as possible. Here all children suffered from small pox. Now they have recovered. My eldest daughter who has to appear for the II year examination from tomorrow is suffering from partial headache and fever and severe cough. Dinesh Chandra is spitting blood. It was revealed from X-Ray

examination that there is no defect in the lungs, but some gland in the chest is overdeveloped. He is also appearing for the High School Examination, but he has not labored much to study.

Ganeshan had sent me a copy of his diary. I have explained to him in a suggestive way.

"Received your special report. I feel that you are growing lighter day by day internally but unless these things affect the daily routine of your life, the spirituality has its own undermining. For this a good deal of labour, toleration and devotion are necessary. There is no limit to these things.

One who digs its own grave in its own self is a man reckoned to be big personality ultimately. What is the way? Think yourself and write to me in the next letter. I am also sending you a copy of the letter written to Dr. P. Sen of Calcutta. Read it and keep in your files. It contains answers to one or two of his questions. You will also know something from it, as people are likely to ask such questions.

May God bless your wife with good health. Blessings to children. Pranams to all Brethren. I remember your Brother Sri Madhava Rao often. Probably he too must be remembering me.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 45 Shahjahanpur
No. B-219/SRCM Dated: 08-04-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your two letters No.108-BG and 110-BG of 18th March on the same day. Ganeshan has often and in his previous letters also written cunning things to me for example he has once written : “My wife is pregnant and she asks me to ask you whether it is going to be a boy or girl, and she says that if your reply is correct she would consider you as a spiritual man”. Probably his wife might even have asked him so, but he ought to have explained to her. I have replied to him if the test of spirituality depends upon this then an astrologer would be sufficient to train him. A daughter is born to him. It is true that he has got the enthusiasm to work but he has not got the tact to befriend and to attract his associates. There is one Sri A. Krishnamurthy who is a goldsmith by caste and to him alone I had informed about my safe return. Ganeshan is going on writing complaints about him and writes, “Sri Krishnamurthy is blaming me that I am attentive to such and such an associate more because he is a Brahmin”. I do not know what it means. Probably there may be some envy in the heart of Ganeshan because of the thought that I love him (Sri Krishnamurthy) more. The real fact is that whosoever attracts me I get attracted towards him; but it does not mean that my love is lessened towards others.

Even after so many letters Ganesan does not feel that it is his mistake. I have apologized to him, even then he felt nothing. Even Sri Ishwar Sahai also apologized when Ganeshan wrote strongly against him. The letter which he wrote after this has been sent to you. I consider that he is ignorant of even ordinary human etiquette. It is very regrettable that the moral condition of a member of the Mission and that too of a trainer is of such a low standard. I have written to him a post card asking him to meet you at Gulbarga, and he need not spend anything for it because he can get the Railway Pass. And it is his duty also to meet the Preceptor as often as possible. But I am afraid that I may receive a bang in its reply. Because I had once written to him to go over here and he had replied to me in a very strong language. Then I had replied, “well, I shall come there myself”. I agree with you that the centre at Trichy should not be closed down.

And no centre under you shall be closed down without taking your opinion. Now you also write to him to see his attitude. I could not tolerate his most impertinent letter written after Sri Ishwar Sahai apologized; otherwise I would have already closed the matter. I have not yet received any reply to my two letters sent to him before that post card, the copies of those letters have been sent to you. He has only acknowledged the receipt of those. The result of all this is that he is not receiving the Grace through me, and he does not even feel it. If he were not initiated and if I had not filled him with spiritual power while according permission for training, nobody would have been able to get any benefit from him. Let us see whether he apologizes to Shri Ishwar Sahai or not and whether he comes to realise his own mistake or not; this is important. You too might have written something to him. Let us see whether you also are going to receive any banging.

Now the reply to your letter – "Even the scoldings are endured in love"- but dear Brother, there is a strange sweetness in those scoldings. And those scoldings can come only under intoxication. Such a one will never be of loose and low morals. I shall write a famous verse of Soor Das which he has uttered in the love of Krishna :

"Baahen Chudaye Jaat Ho Nirbal Jaan ke Mohe,

Hrudaya se Jab Javoge Mard Janeeyo Tohe"

"You are getting out of the grip of my hand, thinking me to be weak, but I shall consider you really a man if you can get out of my heart".

He has said this when he had fallen in a well as he was blind and Krishnaji Maharaj had got him out. Then he had gripped the hand of Krishna saying that he won't let him go. But He ran away getting out of his grip.

You have written about Ganeshan that he has got a violent temper. There

might be some of it but not much. It seems that he is too much conscious of his personality and his own importance, and he is a foolish chap. I also got deceived by his writings. And I mistook his flattery as his love. But as I had already prepared him for training I permitted him even though half heartedly. You have done well in sending him the draft letter. Let us see what effect it is going to have. All commit mistakes and it is the nature of the human being to err. And, dear Brother, my Master had said to me "I shall forgive all the mistakes of others but not a single one of yours". I was no doubt, pleased that this special treatment is due to his special love. A story goes – Majnun smeared his body with ashes and took to begging due to separation from his beloved Laila. Laila used to distribute bread to the poor every Thursday; her real intention was that Majnun too should come to her for the bread. When Majnun would go to her with his begging bowl, she would break away his bowl instead of giving him the bread. And Majnun would get intoxicated with this treatment and would dance with ecstatic joy. The people asked "Friend, what a fool you are, she gives to all others bread but breaks away your bowl and you dance in mad love". He replied – "this treatment is for me only and this is the speciality of her love".

You have written "Please receive me at your place". And I have started to count the days from the moment I received your letter. I am fortunate that your elders like the talks of this insignificant being, and dear Brother, I shall be grateful to your father if he prays for me so that I may get liberated from the liberation itself. Please convey my Pranams to him.

You have written that you had been to Poona to Capt. Iyengar and that instead of love, you have created rivalry for me in his heart. If really this thing is created in his heart that he gets the thought of rivalry against me. The result shall be that he shall fall prostrate on the abode of Guru Maharaj. And this would be such a great task of yours as nobody else could have done.

And dear Brother, tell me at least as to when you are coming and when the vacation begins. And I also am getting restless from now itself. And this time, you

should spare more time so that I may know you fully. I am already thinking and making preparations for it from now itself. And in lieu of this, you may detain me with you so long as you please, when I come to you. Brother Sri Madhav Raoji had also promised to meet me at Hyderabad that he too would be coming here along with you. The marriage of son of Master Saheb shall take place on 18th May and we shall all attend the marriage. I am often worried about your wife. She does so much of the household work and even then her health does not get alright. I often remember Gulabi. Today Shri Ishwar Sahai has come here for one day. He is an invigilator at Mohammadi which is about 20 Miles from here.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S: Dr. Varadachari is trying to develop Satsang at his place and he is in search of good persons. One or two have already joined and also I have written to them about the method of practice.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 46 Lakhimpur Kheri
No. B-255/SRCM Dated: 27/29-04-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.117/ BG dated 22nd April 1957. I am writing its reply from Lakhimpur. I came here three days back to show Dinesh to a doctor because after typhoid, blood started to come along with cough, which is now stopped. He was also X-Rayed and no defect is found in the chest; but the blood vessels of chest are overfull with blood the cause of which

the doctors have not been able to decide. But there is nothing to worry. Sri Madhav Raoji had met me at Hyderabad on my return trip. I had shown him an easy method on his request and I guessed that he loves me, and that he cannot remain without starting the practice. I am very glad to know about the condition of your nephew, Shri Ramkishan Rao. May God give him rapid improvement. It shall be very good if Sri Ramkishan Rao also comes up.

I am writing the house address of Shri Kumaraswamy and Shri Mudaliar for Shri Lakshminarasimhan;

Shri C.M.T. Mudaliar,
Pensioner, 5, Bungalow Street, Madras
(The house is at a small distance towards north of Chintadripet).

Shri N. Kumaraswamy
Maestry Street, near T.T.V. High School, Madras
(A path leading towards south after proceeding about two hundred steps on the way running behind the School in west. Five or Six blocks after it, there is his house at the roadside).

Bahu (Your wife) must be given some good tonic so that weakness may go. You have written to Ganeshan in a very good manner. I have also written a letter to him, the copy of which I am enclosing herewith. He has asked me about the explanation of the 23 circles. Another thing is that Lord Venkateshwara had ordered a Satsangi in the dream not to take up this path. The reply is to it only. He has written an apologizing letter to Shri Ishwar Sahai on your advice. Shri Ishwar Sahai will write to you about it.

He does not feel that it was his mistake. Somehow I made him feel that it was his mistake when he had committed his first mistake, and also pacified him in loving manner. But it is different this time.

"Jiske Rutbe Hai Siva Uske Siva Mushkil Hai"

"Those who hold higher status, have greater difficulties."

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Ganeshan had asked for 5 copies of the Magazine II issue which I am sending to him. Please bring the book "In search of the Miraculous" along with you when you come here.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 47 Shahjahanpur
No. B-259/SRCM Dated: 03-05-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I had sent a letter No.B.253/ SRCM from Lakhimpur, in which I had enclosed a copy of letter sent to Ganeshan. Now I have received its reply which I have enclosed for your study. I could hardly sleep for two or three hours last night and the remaining time of the night was spent in thinking about Sriman Ganeshan and along with it there was the worry that I have knowingly erred, as I had told him, "you are neither fit for initiation nor for training others because your mentality is such". He had promised that he would rectify himself and I had trusted him; and dear Brother, a veil had fallen upon my eyes due to etiquette. Even after his promise I was not ready, but Sri Ishwar Sahai recommended for him and I had to do.

The basis of all this is jealousy which I had written to you in my previous letter when Ganeshan had challenged me. He did not like my initiating you earlier and permitting you to train earlier than him. You did not agree with my above thought. The letters which I and Sri Ishwar Sahai received this time are stinking with jealousy. He did not like that I have written to Sri Krishnamurthy because I have loved him more than I loved Ganeshan. I had written to him (Sri Krishnamurthy) because his letter had come here and I thought that Ganeshan also will be informed of my safe return. Moreover I had made it clear to Ganeshan that I wanted to make Sri Krishnamurthy his assistant. My other mistake was that I had written a few words of love to Sri Krishnamurthy from Gulbarga also because I had promised him that I would write to him after reaching Gulbarga.

Please read his letter minutely. I am puzzled as to what to do now. The initiation will automatically come to an end by his own activities under such circumstances, which a Guru cannot do unless he has got special power which can rarely be had once in a thousand years. Now I am accused hence I am feeling like leaving the decision in the hands of God. This is a method. If I am guilty I shall be punished and if he is guilty he shall be punished. But the step of nature will be very severe. But the real culprit shall come to light. I have not sent any reply to that letter. I shall act as per your opinion after you come here. Love to children. I often remember Gulabi.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 48 Shahjahanpur
No. B-325/SRCM Dated: 28-06-1957

01-07-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter sent from Hyderabad. But as you intended to go to Mahaboobnagar in the near future I did not consider it worthwhile to send my reply because by that time you would have left Hyderabad and you had not written your Mahaboobnagar address. Received your letter No.122/BG/ SRCM dated 07-06-1957 and there has been delay in its reply also. The reason is that I had been to Lakhimpur on 9th June for twelve days. And there was a heap of letters after my return from there. Now only one letter or two are awaiting to be replied. About 25 days back I had received a letter from Mr. M.K. Ganeshan. He has taken up his lodging in the house about five miles from Trichy. He had written the following address; you also please note it down :

Mr. M. K. Ganeshan,
Railway Clerk,
West Agraharam,
Bhikshandar Kovil, Trichy.

He has not yet rectified himself. I think that he has got the habit of quarrelling. Krishna Murthy often writes one thing or other which shows that Ganeshan is against him. Sri M. Masi and Sri Krishnamurthy both are non-brahmins and both are complaining. I shall be extremely sorry if the question of Brahmin and Non-Brahmin entered our Satsang; and this is so much a weakness that broad mindedness can never come due to this, nor can balanced state (Sama Avastha) or equality be created. And the universal love shall remain miles afar. Well, let Master's Will be done. I have also received the letter from Sri Srinivasan from Tanjore. He writes, "Now I have dropped Mr. Ganeshan completely as he cannot help me in any way". It is gratifying to note that your sister is now better. If God wills, she will recover completely and you also can help her quite easily. I shall show you the method for it when I meet you personally. I too love that

person who is suffering from paralysis. When I come there I shall certainly go to see him. He too can be treated but it takes a lot of time and that much time I want to spend for the spiritual training of others, because my brain is not capable of doing both the works; and my health has also gone down very much.

Your thought that you could not get much benefit this time shows that your thirst for spirituality has greatly increased. When you feel unable to meditate on the form in any way, you may just suppose that the form is before you, when this too cannot be done the trend of meditation will itself reveal. If Sri Venkata Rao uses a grass which is called Sankhulia, in which white flowers grow he will be benefited. The disease due to heat will go away if he uses one tola of it ground with syrup of sugar. Here there is lot of heat now because the rains have not yet started.

I have received some printed copies of Sahaj Marg Magazine. I shall receive all the copies in a day or two. Please send the addresses of your Brother Sri Madhava Rao, Sri Dattatreya Rao and Dr. Kulkarni soon so that you may not have the trouble of sending to them from there and you may save the postage. There is a Satsangi in Tibet. He had come here from there and has returned. This time some books and the magazine have been sent along with him to be delivered to Dalai Lama. He has made 25 subscribers there and there are some Chinese among them who know Hindi. Best wishes to children. Sri Ishwar Sahai and his child were attacked with influenza and now they are alright. The entire household of Choubeji were suffering from this disease and now they also are recovering by the grace of God. Please take care of the health of your wife.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : I have received a letter form Dr. K.C.Varadachari in which he has referred about you and he has invited me to go over to him. I am sending a copy of the magazine by book-post because it will take time for it to come from Assam. The magazines shall first be sent to Assam, from here and thence they shall be

dispatched. Best wishes to all Brothers there.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 49 Shahjahanpur
No. B-361/SRCM Dated: 17-07-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letters No.138-BG/SRCM dated 5th July 1957 and No.130-BG/SRCM dated 30th June 1957. I am enclosing a copy of my letter written to the Secretary in Paris, for a branch of UNO meant for world peace. He has sent a membership form and a bulletin also. I could not become a member but I have sent my suggestion. Please keep it in your files. And also keep a copy of the letter written to Dr. K.C. Vardachari which contains one or two useful things.

I have received a letter from Shri M. Kishan Rao of Chincholi and one from Sri B.A. Kishan Rao of Mahaboobnagar. I have replied to both. I have sent the Magazine to Hyderabad, Sedam and to both of your nephews and am sending ten copies to you. Out of them, please give one to Sri Lakshmi Narasimham and one to Sri Sarnad. If you require more copies please get them from Kashi Ram. You should remove the obstruction in the Sadhana of Brother Sri Lakshmi Narasimham if they are internal, and if they are external he should develop patience and perseverance and pray. My health is alright. Don't get worried by your dream. All are O.K. with Sri Ishwar Sahai and Choubeji.

Your reply to the Brother of Chincholi is alright. Really, I do not know magic. Let Sri Mohan Rao come to you. Let him do whatever he is doing. He shall know the truth in a few days.

Brother, I am very much delighted at one sentence of yours “sometimes this peace stays too long and then changes into unpleasant feeling like boredom and dullness. Then I forcibly break it away even though I do not like to do so”. This shows that this peace wants to take a different turn which is a face of reality. God bless you, I shall reply to your question when I get a writer. I have kept your letter safe after marking the relevant passages.

I came to know from the letter of Dr. K. C. Vardachari that Shri Sarnad has asked him some questions which he has replied and please send me the copies of Sri Sarnadji’s letter and Doctor’s reply to it. Please do not allow anybody in future to waste the precious time of the Doctor in questions answers; especially Shri Sarnad. If he wants to know anything he may ask you and if not satisfied he may ask me. You alone are proper to put questions to him. There is no bar for you. I am glad to know that your wife’s health is now alright.

Best wishes to children and to all Brothers.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Shri Sarnad had written a letter. The reply to that has reached through you. There is no letter since then. You have forgotten ash-tray here, which if I remember, I shall bring it along.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 50 Shahjahanpur
No. 385/SRCM Dated: 28-07-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your happy letter No.143-BG/SRCM dated 22nd July, 1957. I am very much thankful to Shri Sarnadji that he is trying to spread the Mission. May God reward him amply for this. I read the letter of Dr. K.C.Varadachari. I had to really keep quiet if these questions were asked of me by Sarnadji because they are pertaining to me personally. Do ask questions to Doctor. There is no bar for you. This time I shall definitely take you to Tirupati along with me, because I have handed over the work in South India to both of you. There is another person also in view but he has not yet been able to get a chance for Satsang.

It is a very happy thing to note that you are feeling the condition of subtler state. This is the characteristic of Par Brahmand Mandal. Your guess is correct that this condition is not going to remain for long. It is better for the Darwesh (ascetic) to be on the move. You have got nowhere to stay. Your ultimate stage is only there before reaching where even Anand (bliss) bids farewell. And what would be the condition there? If it is called ignorance even that too will part company. There is one word which does throw light upon it, which is perfect ignorance (Agnyanata). I have called it the changeless condition. And this verily is Real. Well, spirituality is in any way be dropped off. This might be called the quintessence of all labors and efforts. So dear Brother, this is the very thing for which people had not even desire. Otherwise this could have already been had. And who could wish for it when nobody had even thought of it? Thanks to Guru Maharaj that He has turned our sight towards this. Now you may take the term “Perfect Ignorance” in the sense that ‘It is That which is whatsoever exists between Yes and No’ according to Kabir. Well, now I will come to the point Real Bliss is that in which there is no bliss. So long as there is the experience of Bliss, there is Maya (materiality) included in it. Now, when you are describing your condition of bliss as heavy, it proves that your link is connected with the Centre of Ignorance, and it is due to initiation. It would be more proper if you describe it as boredom instead of heaviness. Boredom means that you require pleasant and light air as you are now proceeding on higher altitude. Peace will never be dull. I have given the reason above. Only such a one will like it whose one eye only is

damaged instead of both. A man living in a hut, if by some fortunate chance gets a good and a comfortable house, likes it very much. But when he gets habituated to it after living there for a long time, he will begin to think of a better house even than that. This illustration is to show why you are feeling boredom and dullness. You have written, 'I feel that my mind's tendency is to get out of this condition; hence either my mind is not yet prepared or those are not the real condition of peace and bliss'. The natural property of the mind is to feel good thing, may it be either material or spiritual; hence whatever comes before its view, it gets attached with it, may it be either peace or bliss.

You have asked me the method of treatment of diseases. The method is the same as you do for giving spiritual benefit, i.e., the disease is removed just as you remove the solidity, grossness etc. And the transmission is also done likewise but the suggestion is given that a particular disease is going away. I have shown you the method; but when there are so many doctors for it we should have nothing to do with it except in very rare and special cases. The work which you have got is in no way less and there is hope of its growing still more. I felt really happy that you like to become the Maseeha. But first you have to create in yourself Dard (pain) before becoming one. I had received two post cards of Ganeshan to which I have not replied. Now I have received a letter dated 19th July. And it is as follows "In the light of thy last letter and the one from Shri Raoji of Gulbarga, it seems to mean that you have blocked my way of transmitting to others, although I want to carry on my humble services in the interest of the Mission as usual. I intend transmitting my associates from a near date and I have also fixed a place in Trichy town for that purpose. My regard to Shri Sahai ji and Shri Raoji of Gulbarga also". I have sent the reply, the copy of which I am enclosing herewith. I am also sending a copy of my reply to one Shri K. Subramaniam of Trichy. It is useful to all the Brothers, hence show it to them and keep it in your file.

We observe fast on the first day of Janmashtami i.e, the day Krishnaji Maharaj was born. This year it probably falls on 17th Aug. All the Satsangis and

yourself in particular should observe fast. Hand over to Brother Sarnad his letter after reading.

Good wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

PS : Dr. Varadachari has written a sentence in his letter by which the heart goes overwhelmed. “I am praying that I may lose my consciousness of body and soul and be merely thy body alone and live for thee”.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 51 Shahjahanpur
No. B-432/SRCM Dated: 24-08-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.148-BG/SRCM of 5th Aug. 1957. The delay in my reply is because I was waiting for Shri Ishwar Sahai on Janmashtami to dictate the reply to the letter received from Ganeshan in his presence, so that I may send the copies of both to you. But he could not come due to some special necessity. Hence I was compelled to send the reply and I am enclosing herewith with great regrets the copies of both of them. Please file them along with this letter after reading the same. I shall take them with me when I come there. I may possibly require them at Trichy or elsewhere. I am sending the copy of a letter to Shri Thyagarajan by seeing which other Brothers may get some encouragement. The letter is, of course, ordinary. The Satsangis there also know that some important correspondence is going on between me and Ganeshan as Shri K. Subramaniam has written ‘that cases between Shri

Krishnamurthy and Ganeshan can be settled when Ganeshan and yourself are together'. This shows that some quarrel is going on there between them; and the venom has fallen upon me. Therefore, I have now written to Shri Krishnamurthy also that Ganeshan is unhappy with me. And I had also to disclose to him some of the things which Ganeshan had written, 'I am having bloodless operation from Ganeshan since I returned from South India'. I do not know how long I will be able to endure the pains of such operation; I will have to end the experiment.

By the grace of God, your batch is all good. Shri Lakshminarasimhan will rapidly progress if he works hard and pays his attention to constant remembrance. There are some folds lying in the system of Shri Sarnadji which I have mostly removed, and the remaining is left for your lot which are little and light. Just Will with courage and they shall vanish. I had received a letter from Shri M. Kishan Rao of Chincholi. He has asked some brief questions and I have replied briefly. Shri Prem Shankar Shukla Munsiff who had met you at Allahabad has now reached Agra on transfer. I wanted some Satsangi to come to Agra so that it would facilitate you to visit the place. Now, when you come, you may visit Fatehpur Sikri and other places.

You might have observed the fast on Janmashtami and you might have also observed how peaceful your condition was. I am very happy by your questions regarding Janmashtami. May God keep you prosperous and happy and may the light of spirituality remain ever shining in your house. You have given the proof of so great support and loyalty for the Mission that I am feeling like giving you a Vilayat (Spiritual Mastery). I have got everything in South India by having you and the Mission shall definitely shine through you. Make up your mind with courage and there is the infinite power behind you. Now I come to the point, it is customary that every Sanstha (organization) connects itself with the last Avatar is there in Hindus since ancient times. But the vagaries of time have not kept it up and we went on degenerating. And a great saint of high caliber who was a Musalman had cut off our connections thinking that Hindus were no longer fit for it. He thought that it was the Divine Command or else he might have thought it to be for good. Now it has happened that the connections of Muslims which were

with Mohammad Saheb have been cut off by the special personality by command and it has been verified (testified) by Muslim Saint before by my Guru Bhai, Pandit Rameshwar Prasad that Mussalmani is finished. And dear Brother, there is no life remaining in many of the organisation in Hindus also. Kabir's lineage is cut off from Kabir. Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa has dissociated himself with his Mission. Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, Guru Nanak and Dadu have disassociated themselves from their lineage. Now these are the words of Krishnaji Maharaj : "This lineage shall be Sahaja Marga and all shall get light from this alone." There is nothing kept secret from you. The hints for work are regularly received from Shri Krishnaji Maharaj and they are noted down in my diary date wise among other things, which contains about 1400 pages. And "My Vision" which I have written has been collected from that diary alone. As he is the original person (Moola Purusha) we observe fast on his birthday and do not include anything religious in it. And this is a command from above that in this Mission the birthday of Krishnaji Maharaj and that of Lalaji Saheb shall be celebrated always. Prasad which is not absolutely essential we offer because it has got power which purifies the body and I can demonstrate it practically and you also can do the same.

People call Kayasthas half Musalmans. The reason is that they were observing Roza (fast during the month of Ramadan) and were doing the Namaz (Prayer in the way the Muslims do) also. They were professors of Persian and Arabic and would keep Sharbat (syrup juice) during festivals. This pertains to the period of the Muslim kings. But they had cleverly adopted the principle of drinking wine and a drinker of wine cannot become a Muslim because their scripture (Sharaha) is against it. Hence they had to remain as Hindus only. Hence if we take the representative of Hindu Dharma Shri Krishna in any form, we remain fit for the sympathies of Hindus and they cannot keep us away from their fold. It is compulsory for those who are properly initiated in the Mission because they receive Faiz (Grace) from Krishnaji and this Sanstha is established by Him alone. We do not give any formal shape to this fact so that it may not become idolatry. Thanks for His contributions to Hindu Dharma we offer in this way. If you want to ask any more questions in this connection please write. Best wishes to

children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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Serial No. 52 Shahjahanpur
No. B-466/SRCM Dated: 12-09-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.157-BG/SRCM dated 5th September 1957. I have not yet received the reply from Ganeshan to my letter, the copy of which I had sent to you. It means that he does not even like to keep up the correspondence with us. I had informed Sri Krishnamurthy about some matters that because of him Ganeshan had come to such an extent. He had been to Ganeshan and Ganeshan told him that he has got no grudge against him. He has also written that Ganeshan shall once again be compelled to hold Satsang. But the point is that Ganeshan has spoiled himself to such an extent that he is no longer fit for preceptorship. Now who should rectify this unless he heartily repents for this? Dear Brother, if you deeply consider this you shall find such an example of peevishness anywhere. Now the only course left for me is to flatter Ganeshan and treat him just as he ought to treat me and to accede to whatever he says. I have got no objection even to this but Ganeshan will be spoiled due to this and can never improve.

Henceforth I shall inform quite early about the date of Janmashtami so that all may observe fast on the same day. Brother Sri Lakshminarasimhan should leave off the thought that his will power is weak. The meaning of faith is that one should firmly link up the string of his thought with the courage of the teacher. Your thought that faith is increasing in your Brother is correct and my love also

increasing towards him and its merit goes to you. I had promised to him that I would drop at Hyderabad; hence, may God will it so, I shall stay for two days at Hyderabad this time. I am very much moved to hear about the financial difficulty of Sri Dattatreya Rao. It is a pity that the Zamindari has been abolished and in such a way that it had made me poor, otherwise I would have sent him something every month. Nevertheless I am sending him Rs.20/- with the request to oblige me by accepting the same. It is possible that it may be due to the effect of the Mantram of the Swamiji that such thought has been created in my heart. But, dear Brother, I generally do such things hence it cannot be due to the effect of the Mantram.

Whatever you have told Swami Vishudhanand was quite apt. He is a very solid fellow from inside and is not fit for Brahma Vidya. Whatever amount of warmth you may give to a stone it shall only become hot along with its particles but can never melt. When he could not feel anything in your transmission he may feel nothing in mine also because the same power is working in yourself as well as myself. For such persons the method is the same which Sri Ishwar Sahai had shown to you at Gulbarga and it should be kept up with yourself only. If you had given two or three shocks to his brain with your thought having a grip on his heart the Sadhu would have greatly relished it. Probably, I have never used this method because I give only the real Johar (diamond) which can be tested only by a jeweller (expert). If a dealer in glass can't know its (Diamond's) value, it is not the fault of the diamond. There is a Persian verse which means if a bat cannot see the sun in day time it is not the fault of the sun. I shall also write the Sher:

"Ghar na Beenad Baroz Shab par Chasma,

Chasmaye Aftab Racheha Gunaha".

If many others are benefited by the same thing and any one is not benefited, it is due to his own fault. If anybody comes to you as a disciple and a seeker he shall never remain un-benefited. If he remains at Gulbarga or

Hyderabad till my arrival there, I shall ask Master Saheb to transmit to him. Once when I was staying in a jungle such a man had come to me. Master Saheb had given him a slightly strong dose and he expressed he had a forgetful condition throughout the day. But I do not allow these methods except in a very rare cases, especially for me. Please advise him to remove solidity from his insides and to remove the motive with which he has adopted Fakiri (Religious Mendicancy), and to develop extreme restlessness for the desire of realization then only he can become fit for the Brahm Vidya, and let him adopt the methods and practice to remove solidity in himself. Let him practise the sound of the Dhanatmak Shabd which I have shown you, at least eleven breathful for three months. If such persons do not feel your transmission it is due to their fault alone. If you like, please convey these words to him on my behalf because these are for his betterment alone.

I am very glad to learn about the birth of sons to Sri Dattatraya Rao and Sri Sarnad. May God bestow long life to them. I had sent the Magazine to your Brother but it could not reach him due to some reason. You have done a good thing in sending him another. The wife of Sri Narayan Sahai, S/o Sri Ishwar Sahai had suffered a still born child's death due to the mistake of Doctor, being decomposed, it had to be removed by operation. A telegram was received by his Brother here from Sri Narayan from Lucknow that her condition was very serious; hence he left yesterday. No further news has been received yet. Pray God for her recovery.

I am going nowhere this time during Dasara. I wish you to be always present in front of me. But want of money does not allow it to happen. You may come here by all means if you like but please think of the expenditure. I have applied to the Government in the Social Welfare Department for aid for the books and the Magazines. The officer here has recommended for Rs.4,000.00. Every branch has to maintain proper accounts. The Proforma of which Sri Ishwar Sahai shall send to you, because it is liable to be audited. Whatever amount yourself and Brother abhyasis have spent in coming here may be credited as

donation and may be shown as expenditure against the head ‘tours’ because, this is for the benefit of the Mission. The postage stamps spent in correspondence should also be shown in the accounts. Dr. K.C. Vardachari and Shri A. Balasubramaniam have asked my permission to take two acres of land on lease for the Mission. I have permitted the Doctor. Now I shall write to Shri Subramaniam also.

Shri Ishwar Sahai had requested him (Dr. K.C.V.) to write the foreword to “Anant Ki Ore” which is to be published soon. In reply to it the Doctor has written, ‘Your wish is a command for me’. Therefore the book has been sent to him. He has written that he will hear it read by the Professor of Hindi and thereafter would write the foreword and send it to me. Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S: Shri M. Kishan Rao has written from Chincholi that he is not feeling interest in doing the Prarthana. Worry and laziness are increasing, there is no peace of mind and soon. When you come across such cases, clean in absentia and transmit lightly (to heart) and everything will become alright. And if the case is before you then give sitting. You should transmit with courage. While doing so, you should think that your body etc. does not exist but whatever there is, it is all Guru only. And difference should never enter your thought. There is the infinite Power behind you for your support. I shall reply to him by tomorrow.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 53 Shahjahanpur
No. B-512/SRCM Dated: 05-10-1957

My Raghavandra Raoji,

God give you long life. I had replied to your letter. You might have seen it. I have received a letter from one Shri N. A. Sarnad who is a teacher in a Primary School at Karajagi, Dist. Gulbarga. He is starting the practice, hence he wants to come to you. I have received a letter from Ganeshan, the copy of which I am sending to you and I will be awaiting your letter for its reply. Is Ganeshan still fit to be allowed to remain in the Mission?

Dr. K. C. Vardachari has sent the preface to the Hindi Book which is very good. The Tamil translation of Reality at Dawn has been taken up for printing. I am sending the amount also today. Please write as to how many copies of Efficacy of Raj Yoga and Reality at Dawn you will require so that, I shall bring the same along with me and also copies of Das usoolon ki sharah (Commentary on Ten Commandments of Sahaj Marg). Best wishes to all the Brothers, love to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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Serial No. 54 Shahjahanpur

No. B-516/SRCM Dated~~Date~~: 09-10-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.160-BG/SRCM. I had sent you the copy of the letter of Mr. 'G' which he had written in reply to my letter. You might have received the same. I do not want to have such a person in the Mission as it may create bad impressions in the Mission and there is no benefit by having him. Anyway I am waiting for your opinion. I am not intending to go to Trichy, however, I shall decide about this after discussing with you at Gulbarga.

I shall give you this advice; if you happen to become aware of any of your weakness tell it to none except me. Mr. 'G' has flung an epithet upon you too. I have almost decided to start during the first week of December and I shall reach Hyderabad directly. From there I shall go to Sedam for two days as Dr. Kulkarni is loving so much. While writing this letter I am reminded of little Gulabi. Ask the children as to what I must bring for them from here.

By the Grace of God your batch is very good. My intention is whatever I have written to swamiji was to benefit him. The daughter-in-law of Shri Ishwar Sahai is better now. His eldest son is giving her treatment and he has brought the daughter-in-law here only.

Best wishes to children.

Blessings to Brothers

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 55 Shahjahanpur
No. B-538/SRCM Dated: 24-10-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. My tour of South India commences on 5th December and I am sending the program. Be giving transmission to your Brother Shri P.Madhav Rao in absentia from time to time and be doing the cleaning also. This time I have planned my tour to reach Gulbarga via Hyderabad and I have to

take you to Tirupati also. I have been suffering from severe Asthama for the last two weeks. It was very severe for two or three days, now it is becoming less. No need to worry. Even this too shall go away. I shall go to Mathura on 15th or 16th November and after staying there for two days, I shall go to Sri Prem Shankar Shukla who is the Munsiff at Agra for four days. I shall reach Delhi on the 23rd as I have to attend a marriage there and I shall be returning back by the end of November.

After reading your letter about 'G' I have planned to decide about it in Trichy but I received a letter from Shri 'T', the copy of which I am sending to you for your perusal. Therefore, I have been compelled to close the centre at Trichy because he has started to oppose the Mission. Even if I had gone there the only way left for me was to flatter him. I have no objection in doing even that but others would have taken it as the expression of my weakness which would not create good impression. Therefore, I have been forced to write the letter to 'G' the copy of which I am enclosing herewith.

Best wishes to children, Well-wisher,
Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 56 Shahjahanpur
No. B-559/SRCM Dated: 06-11-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your two letters. I have mentioned my time of arrival at Hyderabad as 07.05 AM on 8th December 1957 in my program. You might have received the same. I shall come via Lucknow. I shall bring the

emblem along with me. You may now consider 'G' as out. This was his second mistake and without any reason. I have to be out of station from 15th to 30th November. I have to attend a marriage at Delhi. Therefore, I shall go there via Mathura and Agra and I have to stay at Hapur (a station near Delhi) for two days. A Doctor who is our Satsangi is treating the Intestinal T.B. glands of Kasturi and it is sufficiently effective. The reason for your feeling heat in your heart while sitting with a school teacher of Sedam is that his Samskaras are very bad and they are excited. I have written this as a general thing. It can be known when the actual case is before the view. In our Sanstha every trainer develops the faculty that if you are sleeping and if anybody wants to receive transmission from you, you would automatically be transmitting without knowing it. Such merit is there in you. Best wishes to children. Blessings to all Satsangis.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 57 Shahjahanpur
No. B-594/SRCM Dated: 15-11-1957

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. As per the program I am reaching on 8th December 1957 morning. Dr. K.C. Vardachari has welcomed you to come when I had written to him that you would accompany me. You too have to speak on the occasion of the annual day. If you feel it proper, you may include in your speech about your experience and about your coming in this field. My address is almost ready. I am starting tomorrow and shall return by 29th November, then I shall get it typed. A new Satsangi at Surat whose address is given below may be invited:

Shri Maganlal K. Naik, Desai Street,

Jalalpuri, Dist. Surat.

Please send the invitation to Dr. K. C. Vardachari, Kumaraswamy and to Sri C.M.T. Mudaliar also. Best wishes to children and Ashirvad to all Brothers. Please inform your friend Munshi Ghulam Sarwar Khan also, so that I may meet him.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 58 Madras Camp
No. C-32/SRCM Dated: 14-01-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I had received your letter at Madras to which I had sent the reply. We reached this place safely on the 13th and my health is getting better now. The problem of Madras, it appears, will be solved when there are continuous speeches and I am without that gift. And, therefore, to arrange and work for the same is left for you people alone. A single grain cannot make a heap.

Best wishes to children.

This time I have made the wife of Kumaraswamy also a trainer.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 59 Shahjahanpur
No. C-58/SRCM Dated: 28-01-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received a letter from Sarnadji. He is very much worried to hear about my ill health. Tell him that I am almost completely recovered, just there is weakness which is also going away. Dr. P. Sen has come here on the 16th January 1958 from Calcutta; and Kashiram has come along with six men and women on 19th January '58 morning from Assam. Doctor has sent some cards of prayer from Tirupati to you. Hope you have received the same.

I have received N. Thyagarajan's diary which I am sending to you. I have written a few lines in its reply because I want to give rest to the brain. Thank God you have been greatly benefited being along with me this time. Please deeply observe and write whether there is any pressure on the heart; and if there is, whether it is disagreeable or not.

I am sending the letter of Sri M. Kishan Rao which had come here. You alone may write its reply. One thing is that he is getting confused with the meditations on the Point A and Point B and heart. Please clarify the same to him. The meditation on the point A of that of Brothers and sisters at night; on B is that of before the proper meditation on the heart in the morning for five minutes.

I had written the above letter many days prior to the Utsav. After that when I started to write I received your letter No.204-BG/SRCM dated 20th Jan also. Before proceeding to its reply I would like to write that you should obtain marriage endowment policy for Avanti and Gulabi, or else for Gulabi only, if it is not possible for both. There is not much time for the marriage of the eldest daughter, so I have not mentioned about her. I do not know much about this business. Please go through the rules in consultation with any agent and consult dear Madhava Rao or any other experienced person.

There is no doubt about the love of dear Sri Madhava Raoji and I also wish

that if Satsang increased at Hyderabad, a training centre should be opened under him. But lot of work has to be done upon his inner system, which you are already doing and I too shall start very soon.

What you have written about Sarnadji that he has crossed the first point is like this; the first point or the heart is saturated with spirituality but its subtle journey still remains (to be completed). You have thought this subtleness to be on the second point. The method for this is that you must search after concentrating on the first point. This depends upon practice and you have to improve it. And then if you concentrate upon the second point also, it shall be revealed. The journey of heart of Brother Sri Lakshminarasimhan has started; but it is very dull. While starting the journey the thought that the journey has started should be formed. But at the same time if you form the thought that it is proceeding in a clockwise way it gets speeded up and if you complete the circle, the journey will be completed at that time. In doing so you have to keep your will power somewhat pressed upon his heart or will have to keep a light grip so that the inner power may not stream up to such an extent as to it may create tension in the nerves. In other words one has to therefore keep control on these things so that necessary power which is produced during the journey should not stream out more than the required. Hence elder saints have not made it common for use. As I do not consider myself a saint therefore I consider this is allowable. I wish you to bring such a case before me. I shall tell you another thing which is very important. If the thought about anybody comes to you that the journey of a certain point is proceeding as you wish, then also the work will start. The thought of a saint shall not go in vain. While dictating I am now suddenly reminded of that Swami of Ravan. He appears to be somewhat ashamed. You want your sensitivity to increase. And I want myself to become Raghavendra Rao and dear Brother, this method alone appears to be the best one. By this the sensitivity will also develop and everything will descend correctly. Or else to this exchange your activities of mind (Vrutties) with those of mine. Now I write that I do not see any deficiency in your sensitivity but the error appears to be due to lack of confidence. There will be a feeling of satisfaction in the heart about the thing which is right.

I wonder as to what you wanted to ask of me, which you consider as imprudence. There is no bar in asking because when I come to know about the imprudence of anybody I can teach prudence. My experience regarding the health is that I was wondering as to how I could attend to the Utsav for three days when I would feel myself quite exhausted for two days after transmitting to one person. Of course I would have attended however I could. But a wonderful thing happened. On the 24th January at 06.25 a.m. when I came out of the bathroom there was not a slightest trace of weakness in my body, nor was there the cough. And even now it is the same. Another experience, I fell seriously ill at Selam. There was so much pain in the waist that another person had to lift me up from the cot and it would take two or three minutes to get up and balance to stand up, so much so that many a time I barely escaped a fall while going to answer the calls of nature with the help of a walking stick. Unavoidably Master Saheb and Rajgopal would be holding me for support. It was impossible to get into the train. Master Saheb opined that we may proceed after staying two or three days more after recovering. But I did not want to alter the program. I would proceed come what may. Two hours before starting I felt such a jerk in the waist that 90% of the pain vanished and I passed the urine clearly which was getting obstructed due to the pain in the waist. When I got into the train I felt another light jerk. And the pain vanished and whole accumulated urine was discharged. It was the fifth day when I reached Madras that I had no motions. There the bowels too were cleaned. To whatever extent nature needed it happened. This shows that the Master makes him fit from whomsoever he wants to take work. Of course there was cough etc. to some extent and there were two attacks of asthama while returning from Madras on the way. But the pain which was making me inactive had gone away.

Bravo! Well written, dear Brother, I am very much pleased to see your courage in writing that even if you are made half a grain “see what this spark would accomplish”. God bless you and give you perseverance. I have left the work of South, be it either speeches or any other work all upon you. While returning I

have told Vardachari that I have made both of you responsible for this. You may speed up Varadachari in this work.

Kashiram has come here from Assam with six men and woman and is going back on the 30th. Dr. P. Sen who has come from Calcutta will stay here for much more time.

Dr. Varadachari in his letter of 22nd January 1958 has written as follow: “Sri Raghavendra Rao wrote to me a letter in which he says something about me which are too good to be true. But he is such an evolved soul and shining in the grace of the Master that he sees himself in everybody. The Mission is bound to be enriched by his work”.

Please tell me what you have written so that I too may write convincingly like you. I often remember Gulabi and Sreekar Rao.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 60 Shahjahanpur
No. C-101/SRCM Date : 14-02-1958

My dear Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.210/ BG/SRCM dated 3rd February 1958. Your method is alright. If there is real love every particle of the

body should get transformed within seven years. If your pay allows and if the marriage endowment policy is beneficial try to have it. One of my daughters is to be married. Now I am reminded of the marriage endowment policy due to lack of funds; and I had lot of money then. Due to the abolition of Zamindari (land lordship) I am beginning to feel hard put.

Try to be as thrifty as possible. I do not mean miserliness by thrift to cause inconvenience to children.

Here is a happy news. An application was submitted for a plot of land at Tirupati. That plot has been allotted. It is situated at a very good place. And the possession also has been got. On 9th February 1958 a rite as per the methods of the Hindus has been performed with nuts, betel leaves and coconuts etc. You also write a letter of thanks to Mr. A. Balasubramaniam, 41/2, Nehru Street, Tirupati. It is also due to his efforts alone. At present they will construct a temporary building.

Dr. K.C. Vardachari is reaching Calcutta by 21st February and shall be returning to Tirupati via Madras by air on 24th February. I have written to two Satsangis to meet him and to take sittings from him and have informed Dr. Varadachari also. Dr. P. Sen is herewith me K. C. Vardachari has written to me in his letter “I have resigned myself completely to thee or in fact I was even feeling why I was accepting invitation to speak of Sri Aurobindo. But in a way that too may be thy blessings, help the cause”. Again he has written, “I am sure with thy blessings it will be possible for me to more and more be thine alone and in thy own language dead and gone”.

Four days ago I had received letter from Thyagarajan, which was full of love. You have done a good thing in removing the confusion of the Brother of Chincholi. I am suffering from cough and dry flu since the last two days. I have procured the Hindustani medicine which is giving some relief. If my health gets alright I shall go to Delhi on the 21st of February to attend a marriage there and

thence return on 24th and then shall go to Lakhimpur on the 26th.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 61 Shahjahanpur
No. C-122/SRCM Date : 03-03-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.220-BG/SRCM dated 25-02-1958. Keep the amount which you want to send to Tirupati with you, I shall write to you when I feel the necessity for the same.

You have written to Mr. Kumaraswamy correctly. I have written to him as follows: you're very thought of service will bring men under your fold of spiritual training. The thought of spiritual man creates the atmosphere in accordance with the nature of one's thought. But we are all human beings, so we must adopt the methods what the human wisdom demands and it is our duty too. The tide when one rises cannot be settled down and we must try to raise the tide. I want that there must not be purely advertisement although every activity becomes the advertisement by itself, if it is not turned into the idea of service. So please try to have that turn and we are doing the same.

Our trip to Madras this time has done some good, and he has been encouraged by your clarifications. Now it is necessary for you to go on encouraging him.

Sri Ramakrishnaraoji is a man of love. Please convey my best wishes to him. I shall be very happy if Sri Lakshminarasimhan also comes along with you and Sarnadji. You may get the concessions probably because you are teachers. There is railway concession for the students so most probably there is the provision for you people also.

Concessions also can be had if you take circuitous route in the railways; but you are not traveling that much of distance as to be eligible for concession. By the grace of God your spiritual condition is good and it is improving. May God give you rapid progress and the lovers of Divine Knowledge may be benefitted by you. The difference between Sarnadji and Lakshminarasimhan is that former considers Brahm Vidya as of the first importance and the other things as of secondary. On the other hand Lakshminarasimhan considers other things as of first importance and Brahm Vidya after those. Both have got good amount of love. Your view is right that Sarnadji is fit for initiation and Lakshminarasimhan also shall become so.

Sarnadji has complained of anger in himself in his letter. The reply is that he should pray to God for its removal in such a way that tears should come bubbling out. Hope there has been reduction in his anger. Dr. P. Sen has come here on 16th January and shall be staying with me still further. Best wishes to children. I am very happy to note that the translation of the Urdu book is coming up well. I had received a letter from Chincholi to which I shall send the reply. I am often reminded of Sri Madhava Raoji. May God give him prosperity.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 62 Shahjahanpur
No. C-131/SRCM Date : 13-03-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I had replied to your previous letter. Hope you have received the same. My mother's health had gone down very much during the day of Holi. We were losing hope. Even now there is temperature. But by the grace of God she is out of danger. She is so weak that she cannot get up without help. Sri Ishwar Sahai had come here during Holi as I could not go there. Kumaraswamy intends to distribute free of cost a Telugu translated Pamphlet of 8 pages. Sri Ishwar Sahai has shown it to me. It is very good. Now it might have reached him. He has also asked for 35 copies of the message. He might have received that too along with it.

A happy news for you is that you have crossed a region which I have named as Mobid in Persian and have come to (the region of) Ibd Ul Mobid. Congratulations. The points A, B and C etc., will start after this because I can find no names according to the conditions thereafter. The higher an Abhyasi approaches especially after the point A, the easier it becomes for me to give training. And the inner faculties get rectified. Nevertheless one has to labour in bringing the inner faculties in conformity with Nature, and this verily is called the "making" and this is a very strenuous task.

I had received a letter and diary of Thyagarajan. I am sending the same to you for the reply and have written to him accordingly. I have received two letters of 'K', which I am sending to you for reply. The questions therein are so simple that I am not getting inclined to reply to them. He might also have come to you for Holi festival.

I shall soon start eagerly awaiting your arrival here. Brother Sripati Sarnad is becoming a very good man and Sri Lakshminarasimhan has also got may merits and he needs to improve his interest. I am often reminded of Sri P. Madhava Rao and love is developing in him. Some members have increased in Tirupati and

there is hope for further increase. Sri A. Balasubramaniam is trying for it. Do spread the ideology of the Mission for the good of the public. May God help you. Please bring the woolen blanket if it can be got prepared in your village along with you.

Best wishes to children. Love to all the Brothers.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 63 Shahjahanpur
No. C-146/SRCM Date : 29/31-03-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.225/ BG/SRCM dated 10th March. I am really very fortunate that all of you will come here and stay in the heart of this insignificant being. If you are passing through Surat during your forward or return tour I shall inform Sri Maganlal K. Naik to meet you at the railway station. There is no much hope about him at present.

It is good that you have taken the marriage endowment policies for the daughters. God will be creating the circumstances so that their premia could be paid. Please do not bring such a costly woolen blanket, which I have asked you to bring along with you, that it may drown me further deep in poverty. It should be of a medium type and cost of which I leave it to you. It is good that Brother Kishenrao and other Brothers are feeling like spreading the Mission to benefit others. I received the diary of M.Thyagarajan and a letter also. You might have received its copy. The members of Satsang are increasing every month at Tirupati

till now. There has been no increase in the Satsangis at Kumaraswamy's. He had asked for a pamphlet of eight pages which has been sent to him and he has approved it. May God bestow good health to Brother Lakshmi Narasimham soon.

However high an approach a saint may have attained, humanity which itself is a limitation still remains.

Kabir says:

"Ja Marive so Jag dare, Mohi Ati Anand;

Kab Mari Ho Kab Paayee Ho, Poorana Bramanand"

"people are afraid of death but how I wish to die
so that I may have complete Divine Bliss".

A persian poet says:

"Gahe Bartharam aali nashinam gahe,

pushta paayee Khudanabinam"

"sometimes I am enthroned on the ninth heaven
and sometimes I am lower than even my foot".

If this limitation or the bond is broken up, the spirit flies away, leaving the mortal body. Therefore, the Gurus do not touch it. One of the many discoveries which our Lalaji has done is: 16 circles have been shown in the diagram of Reality at Dawn, beyond which none except my Guru Maharaj or one whom he had graced could go till now. When any one brings the happy news of his approach into the 17th circle it becomes the duty of the teacher to create a bondage there so that the soul may not fly away into its origin. I wish people to bring to me the glad news of having secured their approach up to this in my life time. But all this

is in the hands of God. No worship, no practice can ever help in the going beyond this. Only the will of a teacher who has secured his approach up to this can help in proceeding on the journey of this.

Dear Brother, you are asking wages of me. I consider yourself as the Master. Hence it is a surprise that that Master should ask wages of his servant for the work done by him. Shall I write something more. But I am afraid one may think that I am showing the masterhood. But dear Brother to whom shall I show my masterhood when there is no disciple available. By the Grace of God I am almost always in the state of Negation where there is neither myself nor my God. I am afraid people may call me an atheist. I have already broken away the atheism (Kufr) and this is due to the blessings of my Master.

A poet has said :

"Kufr se khaali nahi, ei Shekhji Ta Ad Koyee"

No worship is devoid of Kufr (lack of real faith)
whether one worships the idol or takes the name of Allah (God).

And dear Brother what an essence there is in this salt without saltishness (condition of Negation) that you never wish to be away from it. So much so that according to the methods of training one has to come down from this state while transmitting, but I cannot do it. This is the reason why no other emotion than peace and calmness is created in the abhyasi to create in him faith in the principles of the Mission. But, it has happened that if I ever come down to my previous condition for a moment, I would feel the reflection of that state. I remember that I had once written to someone, "Dear Brother, you have given me the spiritual training and due to your efforts alone I have progressed in spirituality". And this feeling was quite correct. When I came upon such a condition I feel that you appear like the Guru-nay-but you are the Guru himself, and naturally the feeling comes that you people alone have given me the training. I wish that my associates should tell me their mistakes or foolishness which I

cannot call it so whatever you may like to call. But when I expect this from others first of all I should place my own foolishness before them.

At one time Pandit Ramdas Choubeji who is proud of his knowledge and learning began to think of me defeated in the field of knowledge. I considered that it is not good for him to nurture this pride. Therefore I took a turn and came upon a previous condition of mine. And then I wrote to him. You will laugh to know that what I had written. I had written that it was I alone who had sent Rama and Krishna in this world; it was I alone who had brought down Shrutis on Rushis etc. Now you might have understood why you find yourself often in darkness.

Now I shall come to your second question. But prior to it I want to say that you will not relish reading the translation of Brahma Sutra by Goenka. I do not agree with any of his translations. He had spoiled the literature instead of improving it, instead of showing the way of progress he has shown the way to degeneration. But dear Brother, the world calls things by names contrary to their qualities. People like his books because they are written according to the mentality of the common people. If you want to read Brahm Sutra I shall get you the book. Shankara has written the commentary on it and Ramanuja and others have also written. I had ordered for the same on some firm at Madras. But the copies were out of stock then, and this book can be had at Allahabad and also at Madras. Last year when I had been to Madras I wanted to purchase and had asked Dr. Varadachari to recommend me as to whose commentary should be read. I wonder why he told me. “What is the use of any commentary to you ?”. Then I changed my mind. They have been translated into English also. So first decide as to whose commentary you would like to read and it is better if you consult Dr. K.C. Vardachari. Then I shall try to get the same by the time you come here. Ask K.C. Varadachari also about the address from where it can be had. It is very costly at Allahabad. Its price was Rs. 20/- then.

Dear Brother, you have written correctly that you are unable to understand

the reality of matter. If life is put into a doll of sugar, it cannot understand its reality. The meaning is that having continuously lived in the matter we have lost our own Matter (Reality). This alone is the hindrance. Nature really does not want to keep anything in mystery from the devotee. Because mystery can be called as complicated. And wherever there is complexity it can be called nothing but Maya. Nature is an open book. But we have inverted our vision to such an extent that we never look to it. And dear Brother, to put it crudely, it can be said that our skull has become topsy turvy. Reality is manifested when we develop contrary states in us. That is, if we think of matter we creep towards spirit also. Then we can have some ideas of the Reality by weighing both. Now I must rather expose the scientists, of course, without including you in the class. People have told me, or else the thought has come to me that the scientists have worked to such an extent as to make the power of matter a slave of man. Now what further than this can be the aim of Yogi in having command over nature? But dear Brother, even the ordinary circus people have shown wonderful feats by controlling the wild beast like the tiger. The effects of scientific things can be overcome by mixing of other neutralizing things but it is not at all possible to overcome this ferocious quality by any acid. Hence this circus chap is far superior to the scientist. Dear Brother, it is due to the development of the human brain that control can be had over the power of matter, but the work of the development of the spiritual brain is something else where the energy of matter does not work. This has got Divine Wisdom whereas that has got human wisdom. Your thought is correct that man is, by nature, philosopher, and there are proofs for it. Soon after a child is born and begins to see a little, a sort of wonder comes to him, which is the essence of all material and spiritual science. Some people indulge in enjoying the fruits while others start counting the leaves of tree. But the basis of all this is wonder. The scientist gets involved in the complexity of matter and the seeker leaving this comes to that image of which all these are the images. When we knew the effect of arsenic we concluded that everything in which it is mingled becomes poison, or else we consider everything mixed with it as poisonous thing. Now this poison alone helps the things to become poisonous because it is its property that is the effect of arsenic is impregnated in every fiber of the thing with which it is

mingled. Energy is working in the matter in the same way. This example will solve your question as to how the spirit is entrapped in matter. The arsenic is mixed with the things as well as it is separate; in other words, all the things now are in the arsenic. This is considered as the state of "within all" and "separate from all". And this "Within all" and "separate from all" is also one of the attributes of God.

Now, I take a turn towards matter. The view of this insignificant being is that even matter does not remain after Maha Pralaya (complete dissolution), because if anything remains, the word Maha Pralaya will become a misnomer. I do not consider matter to be eternal. Soul alone is eternal. If it is the cause of all, then a time comes when nothing remains except That. Hence it is proved that matter was formed at the time of creation of the universe. What was this matter? This was the effect of the churning action which could form the solid thing. What a nice philosophy is this that everything appears round! The reason is when That Great Architect resolved to create the universe with the use of energy, actions started in a round way in order to establish a circuit so that energy could start working. So, as and when you transmit, your energy also works in a circuit so that it may have effect on the abhyasi. And we sit for meditation making a circle of the satsangis, because this too may help us. Now, because of the force of action when this very energy got concentrated, it began to be called solid or matter. Now, you have to remove this very solidity by abhyas, so that you become spirit from top to toe. How nicely Moulana Rumi, who was a king as well as a saint and who was a disciple of Shams e Tabrez has said:

"Khud-ba-Khud Azad Yadi Khud Girafdar Aamadi"

(He was free himself and got imprisoned by himself only).

This is really the description of the oneness of existence (shuddha advaita), which I do not believe. I am a believer in oneness of the manifestation (vishishta advaita). Nevertheless this example throws sufficient light on the fact that energy took a different turn.

You have written that there should be some method to acquire complete control on this materiality or spirituality. When a factory is working the energy comes from the engine and rotates its every part. Now if you want to control it and try to hold a wheel of it, the result will be that your hand will be crushed to pieces and you can never control it in that way. If you want to stop that machine, get control over the source from where the energy is being supplied, then the machine will stop. Now it is evident that in order to have control over the materiality you have to have control over spirituality (consciousness) and all of us do the same thing. You already know the methods of acquiring control over the spirituality for which the practice and Satsangs are absolutely essential. Nevertheless I mention something; in order to have control over spirituality you have to enter that which is the cause of spirituality (consciousness). Now, how to gain control over that? Only when we are completely under its control. Now we turn towards it in such a manner as to get charged by its purity and freshness. Then our environment start to change and naturalness will be created. And whatever you wish will begin to happen. Dear Brother, go on flowing, the source will definitely be reached. Or else if the inclination becomes so intense that very river pours into you. Then, there will no longer be necessity of any abhyas.

Now I would like to give you a bit of pleasure also, by replying to your question, “I am unable to understand even the reality of matter”. You shall understand the reality of matter when you realize the reality of yourself. Then you can even create the movement in the matter.

Never mind if you forget while transmitting that I am transmitting. Neither I do the transmission nor yourself. He is someone else. If the thought comes, you may do it, so that the transmission may be made more forceful. Everyone becomes somewhat intoxicated while transmitting because of the Grace which descends from above. I am often forced to stop the shower of Grace which descends upon me while transmitting so that it may not become unbearable. But as regards you, do not try for it. While transmitting, one should not become so

intoxicated that he may usurp others portion too; and that the Grace may remain confined within you alone. This is not any defect nor is there any harm to others. If you become intoxicated only a little portion shall reach others. Normally, the transmitter receives some portion of the Grace and he is benefited by the same.

While transmitting in absentia you may do it either while sitting or lying or even walking. Nothing matters. Even when you are conducting the Satsang in person it does not matter if you transmit lying. But you may adopt the posture of lying down when you are incapable of sitting. The transmission is not at all affected.

My mother is now recovering, but she is so weak that she needs assistance to answer the calls of nature and many a time she unburdens on her cot only.

The reason for my delay in reply to your letter is that I was waiting for the arrival of some writer to dictate my answers to your queries. By a happy chance Suraj Prasad has come here. I dictated this letter to him. He is telling you namaste. This time I shall introduce to him also. He wants to publish the extracts of this letter in the next issue of Sahaj Marg Magazine. Therefore, I want to give you this trouble; please copy this letter at your leisure and send it to Sri Ishwar Sahai. He had little time otherwise he would have taken a copy here only. And I did not send this to Lakhimpur because it would have taken much more time for this to reach you.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S : The Tamil translation of Reality at Dawn has been published. I am sending two copies of the same to you.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 64 Shahjahanpur
No. C-193/SRCM Date : 18-04-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No. 236-BG/SRCM dated 4th April 1958. Now I am waiting for your arrival here very eagerly. Sri Thyagarajan has sent a copy to me also. I have briefly replied to him through a post card. The number of members is not increasing at Trichy and the existing members are all good. The number is increasing at Tirupati. The Assistant Editor of Hindu has joined. After taking two or three sittings he has left for America on 7th April 1958 to join the Leader Program Conference there. Varadachari has praised him very much. I have sent six copies of Reality at Dawn to him. If he receives them in time he shall be able to distribute the same among people. But he has written that it would be difficult to find out those who are interested. Its Tamil translation has been printed, which will be beneficial to those knowing Tamil only. If you require the same, write to me. I am glad to know about the health of Lakshminarasimhan. May he too come along with you by the grace of God. Since last two days there has been reduction in my Asthama.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 65 Shahjahanpur
No. C-233/SRCM Date : 25-04-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your cheerful letter without the date. The marriage is on 8th of May, so you may start after a week or ten days of that. Your vacation is up to the first week of July. Today I have written to the Theosophical Society, Madras for Brahma Sutra and called for quotation. It was Rs.18/- at Madras and Rs.25/- at Allahabad in 1946. Dr. K.C. Vardachari had written to me also almost the same. I have replied to him that I have allowed you to read the books so that you may give us good writings. May God resolve the difficulties of Brother Lakshminarasimhan. I am also worried with many worldly difficulties since a very long time. I shall tell you about them when you come here so that your prayers and good wishes may help to some extent. Sri Ram Murthy has said at Hyderabad that he would become a subscriber to the Magazine. I had given his address to Sri Ishwar Sahai but he forgot to send him the Magazine. Now I have reminded him. Sri Appa Rao with his wife are reaching here tomorrow. They are on a pilgrimage and are related to Balasubramaniam at Tirupati and is a pleader at Kolar Gold Fields.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 66 Shahjahanpur
No. 252/SRCM Date : 09-05-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your cheerful letter No.243-BG/SRCM dated 29th April 1958. I am very glad to note that all of you are coming here. I am

waiting for you. Sri P.S.Shukla has invited me to attend the marriage of his daughter at Agra on 17th June. Due to health reasons I could not attend any marriage this year but I intend to attend at Shukla's. You might have mentioned about initiation to Sarnadji because I have to handover myself to another while doing initiation such that I cannot disconnect unless under grave circumstances. This time you have to travel alone; then keep myself with you during the journey. This time I have detained Saint Kasturi here only from 6th May so that you may also see her. I have written for Brahm Sutra to Madras but it is yet to be printed there. Even in 1947 I had written for it but it was not available.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 67 Shahjahanpur
No. C-354/SRCM Date : 01-08-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your two letters No.262-BG/SRCM dated 10th July 1958 and No.267/BG/ SRCM dated 22nd July 1958. Dr. K.C.Varadachari is doing the work of the Mission with all his enthusiasm. He might not have replied to your point due to some particular reason. I am returning the letter after going through it. I am returning the letter of Sri M. Kishen Rao. You alone may reply to it. I have underlined the sentences and have also written some notes.

Instead of keeping me for three or four months with you why don't you keep me always? Doctor Saheb himself knows that I am coming, hence your

writing will look artificial. If Brother Ramachandra Raoji does puja according to your method and procedure, the darkness will be purified. But even now it is just the same. You may also get the form filled up whenever you like and consider suitable. If Sri Ramachandra Raoji starts to practice the meditation of cleaning in the evening i.e. the removal of all grossness and darkness in the form of smoke or vapor and the proper meditation in the morning as usual done by all of us, he shall succeed in getting purified by himself. If he wants, please show him the method.

Shivlingappa is a good man but appears to be very egoistic and is deviated from Realisation. Master Saheb might have sent the Magazine, I shall remind him.

The following person have started the practice through Dr. Varadachari. They are at Hyderabad. Whenever you go there inform them so that they may come to you for Satsang and you may give them my reference telling them I have asked you to give sittings to them and also that you are a Preceptor of a branch of the Mission.

Sri A. B. Sreeramulu, B.A., Assistant Secretary to Govt. of A.P., Agricultural Secretariat Department, Hyderabad.

Sri D. Damodaran, B.A., Upper Division Clerk, Health and Local Administration Department, Govt. of A.P. Hyderabad, No.1 C2, Erram Manzil, Khairatabad, P.O. Hyderabad.

By the Grace of God the fire of Mission is now spreading to some extent in South India. This needs to be fanned up.

I have written a letter to Brother Lakshmi Narasimham, hand it over to him after going through it. Sri A. Balasubramaniam had been to Trichy for the marriage of his sons. He has done some good work there and as a consequence the Satsang has improved there. Dr. K.C. Vardachari is going to Trivandrum on 19th August 1958 and he shall also drop at Trichy if he finds an opportunity.

Now I come to my household affairs; Ram Kishen is a loving boy, and it is one of the human merits to consider others sorrows as one's own. Brother Madhava Raoji loves me very much therefore he has suggested me to have a change of place so that the environments may change. But the real fact is that people say that the fire is in the hell but they take it along with them and are being burnt in it alone. I am reminded of a verse while thinking of Ramakishen.

"Jo Ho Dard Se Aasana, Dil Wahi Hai,

Kisee Ke Mohabat Ke Khaabil Wahi Hai."

"The heart which is acquainted with Pain,
that alone is fit to be loved".

Inwardly I am free from sorrow or pain, but when butted form of Dinesh comes before me I feel a sort of light pressure upon my heart. Many years ago I had written in a letter to Master Saheb regarding the perfection of negation. And in many of my talks I have shown regarding the condition of negation that such a person who is in the state of negation should automatically become sorrowful when he sees the sorrow of others; and delightful by seeing the delight of others; but this should be only superficial and afterwards he reverts again to his "as he is" condition.

I remembered the qualities of Dinesh after his death. He served me very much in his life time and was considering me as God and had great love for the Mission as is evident from the letter published in the last part of Sahaj Marg Magazine. He was very simple, obedient and of good temper. He was light from top to toe by birth and no samskars would form in him. His death has taken away a very good member of the Mission, who was doing good work. He would arrange everything properly and had a mechanical brain. He knew watch repairing, electric wiring, repairs of pumpsets etc. As he had expressed before a

friend, he had great love towards you, Thakur Hardatsingh and Babu Suraj Prasad. He was considering all the Satsangis as Devatas and loved them as such. The day on which he committed suicide, many a times I had thought that he is going to kill himself with a gun. But I would forget immediately after having that thought otherwise it would have been impossible that he might commit suicide. This is called the Divine will. He was a silent man always smiling. On that day he was playing with his sisters and Brothers. His letters are pathetic and show how much he was sorry for that act. Love to children. Take proper care of the health of your wife.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 68 Shahjahanpur
No. C-430/SRCM Date : 27-08-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter and noted the contents. By the Grace of God the Mission has started to spread in the South, but the speed is still slow. The speed also shall develop by your efforts and prayer because we extend to the people the invitation of God and not the invitation for self.

I have received a letter from Sri Ramuluji of Hyderabad in which he has asked many questions about the Abhyas. I have enclosed the copies of his letter along with my replies because such things may be asked to you also.

Sri Ishwar Sahai might have written to you regarding Janmashtami that the fast shall be observed on the 5th of September ’58. Capt.L.N.Srivastava has come

here from Delhi and shall stay here for about a month and is telling you Pranam. Some difficulty shall be experienced in framing the program this time because Dr. K.C. Vardachari shall be out of station from 15th December to 27th December 1958. I have received a letter from Sri Bheemsen Raoji. He wants to see me regarding the constant remembrance. Please write to him so that he may start even before my coming. You know the method already, even then I am sending the typed copy. I am sending the copy of the reply to Thyagarajan as he has sent a copy of his diary to you. In his second letter he had written that he had felt that I have asked him during his meditation to go to Rameshwaram. Poor fellow, he had actually been there. I am also enclosing the copy of my reply to that letter No.C-424/SRCM and have also written to him to first verify such experiences from me and then to take action. Best wishes to children. Has Sri Lakshmi Narasimham now come to the right path or not yet ?

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S: After completing this letter, I received your letter No.286-BG/SRCM dated 25th August 1958. Master Saheb has sent the required books. Received your letter just now. Please keep up correspondence with Lakshmi Narasimham. Thank God that your Satsang is improving. Transmit with a strong will that the fear is going out in the form of smoke, and the fear will go away.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 69 Shahjahanpur
No. C-533/SRCM Date : 3-11-1958

My dear Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Letter No. 314/BG/SRCM dated twenty seventh

October is received and cheque no. B 0637433/P 10 dt. 27-10-58 is also received. What am I to write about this? At times I look to Prakash, at times I look to you; and for that reason this has to be accepted. If I want to write 'thanks', my heart does not permit. It is because, Prakash has blood relationship with me and you have spiritual relation. My revered Master Shri Lalaji has given more importance to blood relationship and naturally I too am bound by the same thought. Yes, certainly heart wants to convey good wishes which are always with you.

Now it is to inform that, the construction of the inside building which was going on in your presence, it may take another ten to twelve days' time. After that depending upon the capacity, the outside building construction will be taken up. God will help to complete it also; more hopes are there with the Omni-potent.

I am happy that Shri Ramaluji who is in the Mission, wants to spread Satsang. Though I am trying, it appears that it may not be possible for me to come in December. Therefore, I am thinking to come in April, as on that date the high school and collages examinations will be over.

Today, a letter from Shri Narasappa is received which I am sending to you for a reply. Important matters are underlined. Wherever the double lines are marked, on reading them the form of Dinesh flashed to my view. I pray for the thing that, such thoughts should not come in his mind and you please clarify him regarding this. A person, after having led a good life and carried lot of good wishes of many people with him, what it matters to have sorrow for him?

I am in receipt of one such letter, from which I could not make out anything. I am sending it to you as a sample. What is his name at least; I do not know; and whether he has kept up faith in superstition (shakun). Blessing to all the Brothers. Love and blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 70 Shahjahanpur
No. C-552/SRCM Date : 10-12-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your two letters. I am agreeable for Sri Sarnadji to work in Gulbarga during your absence. But I wish him as he intends to come here for Basant Panchami, to come here a few days earlier and to stay here for some days more; so that during this period I may initiate him as per your recommendation and permit him to give training to others. I have already started to work (in this regard) and it becomes still better when he comes before me. Until then, he may do the Satsang with all other Satsangis whoever come to him, but need not transmit to them; but himself sitting in meditation should think that the Divine Current of Master is flowing in that direction. The result will be the same; the difference will be only nominal. He may show the method to any new person wishing to take up the practice and you may give two or three sitting to such ones from your own place and then Sarnadji may do Satsang with them. If Sarnadji feels any difficulty to meet the train fare, the same can be sent from here. The branch shall be at Gulbarga alone. And it shall be under you alone. You shall alone be responsible for it. And Sarnadji will be able to work after permission to train according to your instructions. And there shall be a training centre at Bellary where you are working at present. This training centre shall be under Gulbarga Branch of which you are the head. Sarnadji's position shall be that of a prefect and you alone shall be the Preceptor. I received the Prayer and the Commandments in Kannada.

Best wishes to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

PS : Please spread Satsang at Bellary.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 71 Shahjahanpur
No. 567/SRCM Date : 27-12-1958

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your two affectionate letters. I am extremely glad to read your spiritual condition. I wanted to reply with detailed comments but as everything is lying here in a haphazard state, I am unable to compose myself. The construction work is going on. Only the plaster and the roofing of the inner portion of the southern part of the house remains to be done. The minor repairs of the walls is completed.

One important thing is Dr. Varadachari is going to speak on the Psychology of Sahaj Marg in the Psychology Conference at Madras from 1st January to 3rd January 1959. And his speech shall be definitely published in Hindu. Please purchase the copies of the Hindu of those dates and keep the cuttings of his speech. He also intends to write something on the Philosophy of Sahaj Marg as you had desired. I have also written to Sarnadji. The date of Utsav are from 6.30 a.m on 11th February to 7.30 a.m on 13th February 1959. The climate also becomes good by that time. Best wishes to children.

I often remember of little Gulabi.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 72 Shahjahanpur
No. D-65/SRCM Date : 22-02-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

May God give you long life. Received a letter of yours on 7th January, in which you have greatly praised me. I could not reply to it now, I am replying to it. Now I have received your second letter of 16th February. I hope that all children are doing well. I am sending the Magazine to all those whom you have asked me to send. Brother Sripati Sarnad and Ramachandra Rao have come here.

Ramachandra Rao also is a man of love. He has very affectionately requested me to go over to Bhootpur and has expressed his wish that he would give me a lot of milk there. And I shall visit Bhootpur from Sedam. The milk has got both cream and butter and I shall swallow both.

According to your wish I have initiated Sarnadji on the 10th of February and Sri Ramchandra Rao could never know about it. I have permitted him to do Satsang and has given him the letter of authority also, the copy of which I am sending to you to file in the records. Dr. Vardachari could not speak at Madras due to unfavorable environments; and he has sent an article on “Being and becoming” which he has permitted to be printed in our Magazine; which shall be published in the next issue. I have also received the invitation for the marriage of the daughter of Sri Kumaraswamy, the reply to which I have sent with blessings,

which might now have reached Bellary.

It is correct that you are very grateful to me. But when I view my feeling, I find myself to be very grateful to you; because you have really done me a favour by taking up the spiritual service from me. And I have got such feeling with every one; and thus I shall be grateful to my Brothers. This is the reason why you do not feel the burden of the favour (gratefulness). But on the other hand, I feel the burden of this so that I may do the service justly and properly in lieu of this favour and no deficiency may be left over in it from my side. Regarding being attributeless; most probably I might have uttered it. And he who has uttered it is really attributeless. You have called me all powerful, but I have become so powerless that I do not like even to move my hands and feet. Hence you may call me all pervasive because where there is no feeling of power there is only powerlessness as this is the foundation stone of power (strength). Now what shall I tell about myself? You have told everything of me. I am often reminded of Brother P. Madhava Rao. He too might be remembering me. And along with him, even more often I am reminded of young Sri Srikar Rao (Undi Vale). This time I am feeling like running up to South India and I am greatly inclined to go over there. It means that all those people are very devoted (loving) and are awaiting my arrival there very eagerly. It will be possible for me to come there after the examinations of the boys here are over. Love and best wishes to children. Blessings to all the Satsangis. You may get the rubber stamp prepared as you have mentioned. I agree with your opinion and inform the postal authorities.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 73 Shahjahanpur
No. D-108/SRCM Date : 10-04-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

May God give you long life. I have received many of your happy letters and I could reply to none of them. This can be attributed to my own laziness; and there is also the excuse of the construction of the building, the worry of which has caught hold of me. All the damaged parts have been completely repaired. The inside room in which you were taking food, one more room has been built at the western side of it. As lot of building material remained and there was no room to store it up, the same has been utilized to construct that room. All this shall be completed within a week. The plastering has been postponed till the rainy season.

You have done a very good thing in having spoken at the Theosophical Society and I am greatly pleased. Speeches must be delivered wherever there is any chance. This time Dr. K.C. Varadachari's speech has been published in the Sahaj Marg Magazine which you might have received. I could not get the time table. I hope to get it after 15th April and after that I shall formulate my program. I intend to start from here on the 26th or 27th April. After staying for a day at Mathura and a day at Hathras and for a day or two at Agra, I shall reach Hyderabad straight from there; hence 3rd or the 4th May, would be my date of arrival there. It would be very difficult if I cannot get the time table by then. This time I shall formulate my program up to Tirupati and after that I shall do it there only, because I may possibly have to stay at Tirupati for a week as many persons of the nearby districts come there. Varadachari wants to keep me for at least ten days and you want me for the whole life time. I hope the child has completely recovered by now. Dear Brother, my condition is just like that of a needle which immediately gets inclined towards where there is a magnet. You cannot forget the books you read but they will be kept safe and will come to memory as and when required. Dear Brother, I have read nothing on Kundalini etc. Please prepare some questions regarding Kundalini so that I may also have some say; because here the condition is such that whenever anybody puts any question its knowledge comes to me at that very time. You may denote that state by the

ignorance or by any lower word than that as even the word ignorance would not fit correctly. I am always in such a state and have become so lazy, that it comes in the way of works. Please Brother, do pray for the removal of my laziness because I am proving to be a useless man.

I can boldly assert that you have advanced further than Raman Maharshi and this thought of yours is right. The Samskaras (Impressions) are erased to a great extent, only very few are remaining. I have even written something regarding Samskaras in reply to the question of Ganeshan which has been published in Sahaj Marg Magazine.

I could not understand why there is scarcity of water at Bellary. Is there no pipeline or are the wells far off ? I shall also observe economy in the use of water; but dear Brother, it is hot season, hence I have to bathe at least once. Even then if it is very scarce, I shall take bath only once after coming from a long journey. Therefore, you need not get worried over this. The book Anant Ki Ore has been printed, only the stitching remains to be done. There are 56 pages in the book. Please write as to how many books shall I bring for you and mention the number such that the requirement of Sarnadji also may be met or else please enquire of Sarnadji. How can I meet Lakshminarasimhan during my tour ? You should inform him about my coming and the date. I did not know his address hence the magazine has been sent to his old address. He has also stopped correspondence. Master Saheb is still here. He shall be with me during my tour. He shall be going to his home for four or five days.

Best wishes to children.

Sri. Manjunath Iyer, 882, V, Vani Vilas Road, Mysore has been put to great loss. His coffee estate had caught fire. The loss has been estimated as about 70,000 rupees. Please write a letter of sympathy to him.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 74 Tirupati Camp
No. D-178/SRCM Date : 25-05-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

Best wishes. We arrived here safely. We could not get accommodation in the III rd class at Guntakal due to excessive rush, hence we were compelled into enter IInd class compartment and paid the difference in the fare. In this way, although we traveled comfortably, ten rupees more had to be spent.

A letter from Sri Somraj Tirumal Rao has come. In it, he has written he has spent one rupee from his pocket in sending the report etc. to the newspaper and for conveyance in this regard; and as he is hard up he has requested me either to pay the rupee or else ask you to pay it up. Therefore, as per the instruction of the revered Master pay him one rupee as early as possible. I am writing to him also to take it from you. More love. I still remember young Gulabi.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra P.S. : The revered Master says that you were at the point 'G' and by the time this letter reaches you, you would have come to the point 'H'. Please try to feel these places and try your best to understand the conditions. Although it is really difficult to express the condition in words yet one should try as far as possible.

Ishwar Sahai

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 75 Madras camp
No. D-204/SRCM Date : 02-06-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

May God give you long life. I am staying here with Mudaliar. Tomorrow I shall start for Trichunapally. One gentleman had spared his car for me to come here from Tirupati hence I saved a lot of trouble, and I could reach this place within 2 1/2 hours. Dr. Varadachari has also accompanied me up to this place and
having left me here, he returned to his home. On 8th he shall deliver a speech here and shall be staying with Vedantam on the 9th and 10th.

Probably Sri Ramchandran of Theosophical Society might have met you again. He had asked me whether it shall not be a deviation if he adopted the practice of our Mission. For this, Varadachari had given a nice reply; "why should the Mission deviate?"

The Headmaster had asked me at Gulbarga as to why we meditate on the heart when the brain alone thinks of everything. And I had explained to him, as you know by giving the example of itching sensation. But the real fact is that the heart is the field work of the mind and all the points which are in the body and the brain – almost all of them are found in it (heart) and by meditation on it, it facilitates in purifying all of these.

I have given to Varadachari the translation of the Ten Commandments of Sahaj Marg – Commentary, after correcting the same, so that he also may go through it. He has told me that he shall give it to a good printing press after getting it typed for printing. The preface, which was written in the English

language alone is at my house. I shall send the same after I return home. His uncle Mr. Rajagopalaswamy who had come to Tirupati from Madras, has accepted to bear the expenses of its printing.

The Mission could not yet make any headway at Madras and people do not even know of it. This is a matter for person like you to think seriously. If I get such a person here the problem shall be simplified. Mr.S.C.Naik, Chief Engineer, Highways who is a friend of Mr. Rajagopalan of Delhi, has started (the practice).

I am taking up your points and shall make haste. I tell you once again to take at least one quarter of seer of milk daily (any time in the day) without fail because it requires much brain work in the journey of points etc. My wish is to take you up to the central region by the time you come here for Utsav. May God help me. I often remember Gulabi. Best wishes to the children and Namaste to the Satsangis.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra P.S. : I have opened a training centre at Mysore and have appointed Sri Manjunath Iyer as the Preceptor.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 76 Shahjahanpur
No. D-234/SRCM Date : 22-06-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Umesh's results are also announced. And by God's grace he has passed the high school examination. All the children have passed in 3rd class. My youngest son, who has passed Hindi 5th class, got first class. You

may weigh (minutely observe) yourself and inform whether there is any pressure in the brain. If you keep on giving in absentia transmission quite often and more to the satsangis who are far away and who cannot come to you every day like those of Gulbarga and other places, the intensity of pressure will be reduced.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 77 Shahjahanpur
No. D-279/SRCM Date : 14-07-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter but it got misplaced. I do not remember what you had written. Now, you write about your condition and also whether the pressure has gone away and what is the general condition. Thirumalarao has sent one more cutting in Deccan Herald. Sri Hanumantha Rao of Tirupati might have come to you and you might have been benefited by his worthy company. The bone of the right wrist of young Sarvesh got fractured due to a fall on 3rd of July and by the grace of God it is set as per the screening report. There is no need to worry. God will help. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : After writing this, I found your earlier letter (which was misplaced). After I receive your reply to this one, I shall write a reply to it also.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 78 Shahjahanpur
No. D-305/SRCM Date : 29-07-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God bless you. Received your letter and noted the contents. Thank God that the health of your wife is now good. Occasionally be giving her sitting or removing disease and bestowing to her good health. Whatever suggestion you give the power will work accordingly. Sreepathi Rao Sarnad is worried that you have not written to him about your welfare. You have mentioned about your Samskars being dead but it is not really the death of Samskars. It is the beginning of the condition which I had written to my Master as “seeing the play of death during the life time”. For this he had replied, “From this condition freedom from slavery starts to happen”. This condition will progress still further. The outer layer of Samskar which had come has got disconnected from its source. The Samskars are still there inside and they have lost their intensity to a great extent due to that condition which I have described above and which you have felt. By His grace I shall remove them also gradually and your love itself will fry them up.

Now I no longer feel any pressure (in you). Only the place appears to be full with energy and its getting lighter is awaited. I had also received the invitation of Dr. Varadachari for the “Upanayanam” of Shrimani. I too have written few lines by way of good wishes. Sri Narayana Raoji may write to Dr. Varadachari about his

disease by giving either your reference or mine. Whatever disease this is, it is all "riyami" (gastric trouble) and I have written to him to eat fruits of Fig. If he cannot get fresh fruits he can take dried fruits, soak them in water throughout the night, make a paste of it with honey and lick it. Lemon and Tomato and leafy vegetable should be taken daily. If for some days he takes to dieting with buttermilk one time and rice etc. second time, it will benefit him greatly. He should take bath with large quantity of cold water in the morning by which the whole body cools down and should go for walk with clothes on for two or three miles. Great precautions has to be taken for this disease and all the above treatment should be maintained. Then his disease will certainly be cured. The health of Kashiram had greatly deteriorated due to wrong operation of the appendicitis. He has undergone treatment of naturopathy at Gorakhpur and now he is very healthy. He has also learnt the method of treatment from Doctor. He has come here and has left for Assam yesterday. He will return after ten or fifteen days. The address of Dr. Mukherjee is as follows :

Dr. S. R. Mukarjee,
Head T.C.
Hathras City, Dist. Aligarh.

I too have received the letter and diary of Thyagarajan. If Brother Ramachandra Rao of Sedam stays with you for some days and starts the practice with sincerity and attachment he shall certainly be benefited. Narayanashetty appears to be sincere but he has still doubts about our method. He did not get any benefit for being in 'Theos' for such long time and therefore he did not get any doubt also. Two letters have been exchanged with the father of Sri Raghavendra Rao of Hyderabad. His age is 70 years. Now he is starting the Abhyas. The Munsiff Magistrate of Janagaon who wanted to meet me at Gulbarga has written me a letter inviting me to attend the Gita Jayanti. I have asked him to excuse me for my inability to attend due to my ill health. I wanted to send him a message on Gita. But there is nobody to take my dictation. Therefore, I have sent him the printed message which I had given to Gulbarga people. The bandage of

Sarvesh will be opened on the 31st of July. The bone might have got set by the grace of God. We are not getting here the subscribers for Magazine. Therefore it is becoming very difficult to run it. May God have mercy. Love to children and Pranams to all Brothers.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S.: Little Gulabi might be remembering me. Tell her that I shall come again after 3 1/2 months.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 79 Shahjahanpur
No. D-343/SRCM Date : 10-08-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter and noted the contents. "Janmashtami" falls on 26th August and the fast will be observed on that day. It is good that the children had a nice trip and they had also a pilgrimage of temple of Tirupati. The plaster of Sarvesh has been removed but the hand is not completely active. Massaging is continued and it will be alright in a few days. I have mentioned to Sarnadji also to make subscribers for the Magazine and if all the Brothers try, it will become easy to run it. I too have heard the praise of the books of Krishnamurthy. But this thing of his cannot last long. It will end immediately after his life time. To take guidance from the devil and to take work from him really is his work. If he is against the authority how he is presenting his own thoughts. If his thought is accepted (as authoritative) I am afraid the same exploitation comes in as he says. I have called Sri Ishwar Sahai here because the

plastering and a little repair to the house has remained. I had left this work due to the rainy season. Rainfall has become low here in this year and therefore, the paddy crop is delayed. Last year also this was the condition till August and suddenly there was downpour in September. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S: Dear Brother, salutations from Ishwar Sahai.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 80 Shahjahanpur
No. D345/SRCM Date : 12.08.1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I had replied your previous letter through a post card and also had informed about the observance of Janmashtami (Barat) on 6th August. Further whatever is intended to be written, I am writing now. Brother, there is no doubt about your love. I am thinking always how to repay this love; again I pacify my heart that any person cannot repay the love in real sense, even by mortgaging himself. If some more people like this are born, I think heavenly adobe is going to be created here only. Although, it is true that we have no concern with the heaven we wish to have such people who can create the heaven. You have prepared Brother Sarnadji well. He is also most loveable man. You are also now thinking to prepare Dr. Kulkarni. He is also good. Brother Shivalingappa really weeps with sobs in love and Kishanrao is also moving silently in that direction. There is lot of hope regarding Brother Narayanrao and he has faith also, but he is looking more towards himself. Still he is not giving a chance to

God to see him. Till we stop looking towards our ownself, Master's Grace will not turn towards this side i.e., towards us. He thinks that we are taking care of ourselves.

Kishanrao's letter has come. He is feeling loneliness in meditation (Puja); it is because till now he is not able to get any like minded persons. A letter from Shri Satyakumar, Munsiff Magistrate from Janagaon inviting me has been received. I have sent him the same printed copy of the message which has good effect on him. He will translate that in Telugu and read it to all. And he has written to inform about my dates of south India tour.

The Urdu translation of the book which you have done has been corrected after going through, Master Saheb is typing it. But because of my laziness I am not able to see it fully and there is a delay in his work also. I want to write a note on your behalf here only. Maximum efforts are made to bring out Urdu like thing in English translation. Even then if there is any difference in the sense, then the meaning as given in Urdu book can be treated as correct. Now, your signature will be appended at the bottom, after that the degree, designation will also be written. At present, the residential place will be Bellary only.

From Mysore one letter of a very able devotee is received. We have to take note of it and it is also a matter of concern that he is also suffering from a disease called Bagani. But, dear Brother, I am not able to understand why till now that impurity has not washed away in the current of Ganga flow. I think that able devotee is probably thinking that whenever God gets some leisure, he will have to do that. However I have cautiously replied to the letter. I am sending a copy of his letter along with my reply to you so that you may carefully be able to keep it in your file. It may be possible that even Shri Kishenji Maharaj might not have kept in his file as I am sending it to you to file it. Gulabi may be happy to know that I am coming early. But she may understand that 3 months as 3 ½ months. This time I think I may start in the first week of November. It is because of some urgent work at home. I have to return by 10th of January.

Blessing to children.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra

P.S.: Dear Brother, blessings. It is very late. Your letter was received at Lakhimpur. With that I also received the statement of accounts. After that I came over here. I could not reply. I am trying to increase the number of subscribers. Probably, you are also in the same effort. It is because the expenses are not being met with. Whatever I receive I make due payments. Day before yesterday at 11.30 P.M. a girl child is born to dear Prakash Babu.

Well-wisher, Ramchandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 81 Shahjahanpur
No. D-408/SRCM Date : 10-09-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.TCB 82/SRCM dated 18th August. After spending few days at Lucknow Sri Ishwar Sahai has come back to me again. His son had fallen ill there who has now recovered by the grace of God. Since about six weeks repairs and plastering works are going on and may take about 8 more days still. I want to go to Lakhimpur after this. Some persons of Golla have taken promise from me to go to Kukra Village, as they want to know about the Mission. Master Saheb has seen and typed the translation of the Urdu Book which will be sent within two or three days to Dr. Varadachari for writing a

foreword and from there to Madras for printing.

You have written exactly what I wanted because I do not want to go to Chincholi and Bhootpur this time. When I get the new time table which comes in October I shall prepare the program. Please write as to how many days I should spare for Hyderabad, Sedam and Gulbarga. For Bellary I shall decide. There are 58 persons at Mysore and almost all are able, I want to give four or five days there also and if somebody can host me at Bangalore, I may spare a day or two there also. I have received a letter from Brother Kumaraswamy. He has asked me some questions and the copy of my answer is hereby sent to you. These questions are common among the Abhyasis these days and I have given brief answers. The father of Raghavendra Rao S.P., Hyderabad, who is at Waltair has started the Abhyas with great faith.

Brother, you have written well regarding the Swamiji. It is our fate that our representatives show us the wrong way. There was a time when correct guidance was coming to us from them. It is also law of nature that the very things which cause ascent will become the causes of downfall when degeneration sets in.

You have shown very good method to Brother Narasappa. Muslim Sufis have termed it “Naksh-Bar-Kadam” and this is one of the limbs of the system of Sufis. Write to him also to meditate while going to bed on the Point ‘A’ about Brothers and sisters, the method of which is known to you, and also to inform you every week about that, he is doing this and is getting proper result. I consider this meditation as compulsory for every youthful Satsangi. This thing is spreading like an epidemic. If by chance a girl comes into view the thought of sister should be along with it. This advice also meant for all. We have forgotten our old principle. Therefore, this thing has come up too much. We were addressing the girls as “Devi” and if we again revive this form of address, it will begin to get set right.

The new grand daughter has not yet been named. Dr. Vardachari wanted to

have her “janampatri”. Tirumala Raoji had sent a very good calendar for which I have sent him a letter thanking him. Convey my blessings to Sugurappa and other Satsangi Brothers.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Gulabi might have been very pleased and all the children would have been pleased when you told them about my coming soon. You had opined to open a training centre under the charge of Dr. Kulkarni. Think over it thoroughly because he has got a different Guru. He has to give training under Sri Ramachandra Mission only. Let him respect his Guru and there is no harm in it. After deciding this you please inform me so that I may start the work.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 82 Shahjahanpur
No. D-451/SRCM Date : 05-10-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.91/ TCB dated 21-09- 1959. Let us see what Dr. Kulkarni writes in reply. Your condition which you have written is due to the grace of God. The formation of chain of thought and not knowing it means that your flight has gone high. Here I do not get the time table of Southern Railway. I could have got it from Delhi where also it had come late, but as you will send the time table, I have not written to Delhi. I do not think that there can be so many Satsangis as to necessitate to spare a week for Hyderabad. Anyway whatever number of days you suggest according to the reply of Sri Ramuluji, I

shall include that period in the program. Brother Kishenrao is compelling me to go to Shorapur and Neelakant etc. are also writing from Chincholi. The more the road journey is saved, it will be better for my weak health.

One Harijan at Chincholi has written to me that he wants to join the Mission along with ten of his friends.

Will Sri Ramchandra Mission take them in because of they being Harijans? Sri Bheemsen Rao has written that, we can make them to sit in a group separately. I have written to him that we, Sri Raghavendra Rao and Sri Sarnad will decide it when we meet together. Even the educated person in North India try to mix with Harijans cautiously but still there is large majority of the people who do now allow the Harijans to sit on their cots or mats. This is a very serious matter to be thought over. You also think about it and we shall discuss personally and arrive at conclusion. I have not replied to the letter of that Harijan. If I am compelled I shall reply in such manner which will be quite right and also non-committal.

I have received a letter of many pages from 'M', by reading which I felt very embarrassed. I have not replied to it nor do I want to. I am sending that letter to you privately. You may do as you think best after reading it. You need not return that letter to me. Sri Bheemsen Rao and Kishen Rao have written to me that they would come here during "Dasara" but they have not yet come. Captain Lakshmi Narayana is coming from Delhi and will stay with me for about a month. If you want "Reality at Dawn" or "Anant Ki Ore", write to me so that I may bring that much copies. I have received the translation of "Guru Sandesh". I want to add to it some more which will amount to 50 pages. If you want to have it, as it is, you can get it printed. But if you want to have more we shall have to wait and the printing cost also will come to about Rs.150/ - for 500 copies. My blood pressure is very low and on that day it had gone down very much and then I had to use the Indian Medicine "Jawahar Mohara" which worked very good. Now I am alright and there is no worry. Alright means I feel no pain except slight weakness. At the close of this letter the thought of Gulabi came to me very much and now Meera's

thought is also coming that she may now be learning to stand and walk. The daughter of Prakash who is of the same age as Meera is already running about everywhere.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Justice M.L. Chaturvedi who is now retired has told me that Dr. P. Sen has taken up Sanyas. Sri Govindappa, Headmaster, High School, Chincholi has started the Abhyas and he shall meet you or Sarnad whenever he gets an opportunity. The S.R. time table has come. Soon after completing this letter, Captain L.N.Srivastav has come from Delhi today and he shall stay here for some days. He is telling you "Salam". Many many thanks to Sri Narayanarao who has taken a bungalow on rent for me.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 83 Shahjahanpur
No. D-456/SRCM Date : 08-10-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your cheerful letter No.95/TCB/SRCM dated 01-10-1959. Since you have to take work at Sedam therefore, you have to decide whether Ayalreddy would be better or Kulkarni. Just think deeply that grossness is full and hard in Ayalreddy, which will take lot of hard work to remove. There is no grossness in Kulkarni now but there are traces of cobwebs near the heart. Any way grossness of Ayalreddy has to be cleaned out. The Doctor has got religious knowledge and good educational ability. You think on

these things and we shall both discuss at Hyderabad. Promise to nobody.

I wanted to start in the first week of November but I have to arrange for the sowing of potato. Although I cannot do much, yet the work will be carried out better due to my presence here. Now I have decided to start on 14th November or near about. I shall break the journey at Hatharus and Agra. It means that it will take five or six days and I may not be able to reach Hyderabad before 20th of November. Therefore, have your practical examinations during this period. I think I shall be able to reach Hyderabad on 21st November 1959. I have prepared the program. Clouds are coming. These are the days of drought. The crop of paddy is all destroyed. The clouds indicate threats of rainfall. If it rains, the crop of potato and of 'rabi' cannot be sown by 14th November, I shall leave all the work on the servant and will come there.

I have sent two Magazines to Mr. Kishenrao, but as he always writes different addresses of himself, they might have not reached him. Now I have written to Bheemsenrao to ascertain his exact address and inform me correctly. Both of them were to come here during "Dasara" but could not come yet. However, I am waiting for them still.

Write to me the house address of Sri Madhavarao. I have heard that the number of bungalow has changed. I have sent the Urdu book to Dr. K.C. Vardachari and he has written the foreword also. He who had promised to get it printed is not able to do so now due to some reason. Now we have to wait for funds.

I have received the letters of Doctor Saheb and Sri Ramuluji in a cover. You might have spoken very well in 'Milad-e-Shareef' and the Muslims would have been very much pleased.

Captain L.N. Srivastava has come here three days ago and he shall stay here till I start for South India.

Blessings to children and blessings to all Satsangis.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : One of our Satsangi has gone to America and he shall stay there for five years. He wants to spread the Mission there. He has asked for books which have been dispatched to him.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 84 Shahjahanpur
No. D-462/SRCM Date : 09-10-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I wrote to you a letter yesterday which you might have received. Sri. Bheemsen-raoji has come from Chincholi yesterday. He shall return on 20th October 1959. I shall start on 14th November and shall reach Hyderabad on 21st November i.e., I am not reaching Hyderabad before 21st November. You may complete your examinations within this period. Program shall be sent to you after some days.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 85 Shahjahanpur
No. D-488/SRCM Date : 28-10-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your two letters. What you have written to 'M' is alright. I shall bring the required number of copies of "Reality at Dawn" and also those of the Urdu book. Only fourteen copies of "Efficacy of Raja yoga" are remaining. It has to be reprinted. Yet I shall bring at least two copies of the same along with five of Hindi books. Sri Bheemsenrao has left on 17th October. He has been benefited sufficiently by the grace of Master and I also found good change in him. May God give him steadfastness.

It does not matter if you have shown something erroneous to Sri Vasudevrao. Anyway there can be no harm in meditating there. The only difference will be that it will not be to the point. I also forget this in one or two other meditation sessions and therefore I ask those present and one of them tells it. Now I will also memorise it. I too often committed this mistake.

If one pill of "Silajit" original quality is administered with mixing it in milk daily in the morning to Meerabai, she will remain very healthy even during the whole of winter and the bones will become strong. The son of Master Saheb is not quite alright. M. Kishenrao has sent his address. I am now sending him one copy of magazine for the third time and am also informing him the date of my reaching Gulbarga. I am sending the program along with this letter to you. I shall send the same to Kumaraswamy, Sarnadji and to Mysore tomorrow and have also sent to Trichinapally.

I am sending the Hindi translation of a few Urdu letters. Keep it in your file.

They shall be of use someday.

Your condition is very good by the grace of God. It is just like wonderful water. The bubbles do rise but they remain only on the surface.

I have received one more letter from the Harijan of Chincholi. He has passed B.A., I shall reply to this also in the same way. I have sown the potato. One unit potato shall be spread under my supervision and after that other units also shall be spread. Captain L.N. Srivastava has come from Delhi and is staying with me and he is telling you "Salam".

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Brother, please write about your pressure in your letter so that I may start my work. The nearer the date is coming I am getting more eager to see Munshi Ghulam Sarwar Khan at Hyderabad.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 86 Shoranur (Kerala State)
No. D-600/SRCM Date : 15-12-1959

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter and also those that have been redirected. I had to come to Shoranur due to persistent demands of Muthia Dutt. This is in Malabar District. I hope that some persons will start (abhyas) here. Mr. Muthia Dutt had been insisting me to go over here last year but this year I have

been compelled to come here. He had insisted to such an extent as to even suggest my travel by air to and fro from this place. But I have come here by rail only. He had taken me to Tirupati and Madras by car. He has given Rs.501/- for the printing of the translation of the Urdu Book. Therefore, I have given the book for printing at Madras. The amount may possibly fall short. For this (contingency) Dr. Varadachari has proposed that every Abhyasi who wants to have the book may deposit Rs.1.25 per copy as an advance with the centre-in-charge and this amount should be sent to Dr. Varadachari. N. Thyagarajan and K.Subramaniam of Trichinapally had come to Madras. They have been also informed about this. Muthia Dutt has told me to take money from him whenever there is its necessity for the Mission. Many thanks to him. He is a very great man. But I feel very shy to ask although Kabir Saheb has said :

"Mar javun mangu nahin apane tan ke kaj,

Paramarth ke kar me hove na laj".

"I prefer death to begging for the sake of my body,

but I am not ashamed to beg for the work of God".

I have also done some service to him due to which he might possibly have had an idea of the power of Master. I shall tell you orally about it.

Satsangis have increased at Tirupati also and two or three are added at Madras also. One European whose name is H. Jacob met me here. He asked many questions. He is a German National and has been practicing every method shown by anybody but has found no benefit. Some convincing talk has taken place today in the morning which has made him inclined to set himself right and has diverted him towards the right practice. He has expressed his desire to come to Shahjahanpur also and probably he may come someday.

I shall start from here on 16th evening and shall reach Madras by the

morning of 17th. And thence I shall reach Vijayawada on 18th by 8 O' Clock by G.T. and from there I shall start by G.T. on the 20th and reach Allahabad by 22nd. After staying there two days and spending a day or two at Lucknow, I shall be back home by 27th December.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 87 Shahjahanpur
No. E-1/SRCM Dated : 02-01-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I returned here safely on 26th December 1959. I am worried for not getting any letters of safety from you. I wanted to send a wire but consoled myself writing the letter. The father of Raghavendra Rao of Hyderabad had come to Vijayawada to see me and he was ill. He is very weak. I have written to you about Shoranur from there itself. Two persons have started (the abhyas) and some more shall start. Touring is required. Everything is O.K. at Allahabad. There is nothing to worry. After initiating the Judge Saheb, I have permitted him to impart spiritual training to others. There is nobody to learn there. Dr. Hafiz Sayeed is very ill and due to his insistence I have opened the centre (at Allahabad).

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 88 Shahjahanpur
No. E-30/SRCM Dated : 12-01-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your two letters. I am very glad to learn that you are coming here to attend Utsav. You shall be greatly benefited by the grace of God. I feel hesitant to compel the Brothers to attend Utsav although I heartily wish everyone to attend. But, Ah! These hard days and meager salaries etc. if somehow they manage to come, their children will be put to hardship.

Babu Shiv Mohanlal of Hyderabad is also coming to Utsav, write to him the date and time of your reaching Hyderabad and also the time of departure for Shahjahanpur. He shall come along with you if he does not change his mind to start earlier than you. His address is given below: His son is recovering by the grace of God.

Sri Shivamohanlal, Retd, Head of Department of Philosophy, Osmania University, 2-16, Taranaka, Hyderabad Deccan.

Sri Seshadri is a relative of Dr. Varadachari. He had started the abhyas before me. I have told him to inform you so that you may inform him about your trip to Hyderabad.

You have written that the worldly worries create heaviness in the heart.

This proves that the heart is purified to such an extent that even the sweet fragrance of the flower cannot be endured by it. Nevertheless, the worries should be in the flying form so that the heart may not be aware of them. There is good surrender in you by the grace of God, due to which the overflowing wine from the cup is dripping in it. While writing this sentence I am getting the remembrance of Sri Narayanaraoji. May God take the fragrance of the love of nightingale (Bulbul) to the portal of his heart.

Dear Brother, I am always restless to take you across the spiritual stages and this is due to your merit only which is due to surrender. This restlessness also helps in cleaning the way. The Giver is someone else. The servant is concerned with service only.

Babu Shivmohanlal had sent me a telegram to Tirupati to do transformation, which I received at Allahabad. I am sorry that I could not do his transformation by telegram. But it definitely indicates his restlessness to attain God in the path of spirituality, which is good. I have now replied to it two days back and by writing some logic in it, I have shown candle light to the sun. But, Brother, he is a very good man and he has started to love also. But dear Brother, what shall I do ? There is no juice remaining in the bones of this humble being. Probably due to this I am not agreeable to people. Shall I start looking into the mirror so that I may get pleased by seeing my own face? But I am afraid, if I do it, I may find my own picture absent there. Although I am sure that even after absence something will be found. Yes, certainly, it shall be, as it can be got only after getting merged.

I am worried to know about the severity of the disease of Bakula Bai. God help her. It is good to see her as a courtesy. What more can I write? Everyone has to take precautions.

Now I am remembering little Meera Bai also along with Gulabi because she is now a bit grown up. The more I rise higher the more I get involved in love. Love

has to be there; when I could not love God, let me love His children at least.

I have begun to wait for your arrival impatiently although you have already come here even before your starting.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : The question which Gulabi has asked “Is Babuji God?” Ninhi had also asked me, “Are you God?” I replied “No”. She told, “People come to you for puja, that is why you are certainly God.” The same thought might have occurred to Gulabi also.

Those who cannot come here for Utsav, let them sit in meditation at their own place or wherever there is Satsang at the fixed hours. Tell this to Sarnadji also.

The cold will come to normal by the time of Utsav, yes it will be too much for you. Arrange for it during the journey and I shall not allow cold to get hold of you here. The severe cold starts from Itarsi.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 89 Shahjahanpur
No. E-56/SRCM Dated : 09-02-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. You might have reached your place safely along with

your father. Shri Shivmohanlal also left the next day after you. Thank God that he returned with happy impressions and has given many hopes. When I transmitted to you here I had slight idea of your entering into Central Region. And on the night of the 5th you have actually entered it tearing, breaking aside all the stages. This was really your own ability. And I congratulate you for it. But your responsibility has increased still more the fulfillment of which you know very well. Babu Suraj Prasad who is the Head of the Philosophy Department in the Lakhimpur College and who had met you has written that whenever he thinks of me it turns into the form of Raghavendra Rao. This is the proof of a good 'Mergence' (Laya Aavastha). I have told you some things for giving transmission. Keep them in mind. One will have to sit as the Master while transmitting. Please be writing about your conditions. What are your experiences now? Really speaking, my duty as a teacher is now over. Now you and He are left alone. But as I have got a peculiar sort of habit I shall find some work or other for myself, and so something or other will have to be done. The problem of your life has been solved. The children might have been pleased on eating the Prasad. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 90 Shahjahanpur
No. E-77/SRCM Dated : 15-02-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter No.221/ TCB/SRCM dated 9th February. You might have received my post card bringing you the glad news of your having entered the Central Region.

I am really surprised why your father got such an idea that Choubeji means marriage. It is enough to convince him that Chaturvedi marry among the Chaturvedi only. That girl has not been married because she is a patient of Intestinal T.B. I had even though prohibited Choubeji not to praise his own daughter before others, but he has become old and does not have brains enough even to understand such a simple thing as this. Although I have not become old yet people think of me as such, I too get anxious about this and prayed to my Revered Master that no matter how weak the body becomes I do not care, but the effect of old age should not affect my thinking and understanding. If only you had given me a hint here I would have removed this thought in an indirect way without bringing this topic, merely by talking. Now I am writing a letter for him, in which I am not touching this point. If you think it fit, send this letter to him wherever he is. I have decided this money to be as yours and this shall be gifted to your wife (Bahu) when I come there. You are spending so much for me and also for travel and I am unable to help you in this regard. My prayer is definitely there and it will have value only when it is granted. It is all in the hands of God.

Sri Ramachandra Rao has left for Haridwar on 12th February along with his wife and Brother. Probably he may reach his village by 27th or 28th. Let the condition of 'absorption' of your father, which you have written get subdued automatically. I have cleaned him at Bellary and here also although there was no time for it. Still the subtler cleaning of his inner system remains. If this is done he shall become an entirely changed man. And it will be your work to give him further advancement and it is your duty too. It is good that now you got Rs.145/-. The expenses of this journey are partly made up. You shall get still more. Await the revised pay scales.

Now I shall come to the point, our Mahatmas and Sanyasis have burnt barrels of Ghee in Havan without caring for the economic condition of our country i.e., India. They would give Ahuti in the fire continuously for two or three months throughout the twenty four hours. Whoever Mahatma wants to elevate

himself starts burning the wealth of India in Havan. Every year we get these news. I do not know the condition of South India. Probably they do it there also. And those who don't do this, entice the public into the mirage of Kundalini. Inspite of all that none of our Mahatmas could yet kindle the fire in the heart of a single person but he has burnt excessively that which would have been useful to their children and which could have helped the correct formation of heart and brain. By giving Ahuti of the very Prana, if Shri Ram Chandra Mission could kindle the fire even in one, it would be better work than a thousand yagnas. If you think over this deeply you will find that you might have kindled this fire in so many a heart and many a one might be there in whom you can kindle. And you too were such that a simple sentence which I had written on some occasion had effected you so much that the extinguished flame in you got lit up once again and this became so bright and intense that the flames began to go out. You have started already. The field has got to be prepared and is being prepared. If the extinguished hearts come before you and even the warm has gone out of them, they will certainly be lit up. The sphere of your work has got to be enlarged. Do not think that you have entered the "Central Region" at no cost. The nature will certainly take work from you and you have to get ready for the work soon, nay you shall have to work. The limitations are to be just loosened. Do write about your condition, just to study as to how much you have gone far from the intoxication of spirituality and have the influence of Reality which is setting in. Of course, I shall write any way, I shall give you some work for the purpose of study (experience) by way of a hint and it will also begin. I have appointed Ramdasji who is a trader at Assam in place of Kashiram and have sent him to Assam.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : You have sent the letter of Sri K. C. Varadachari here. I am sending to you privately a copy of my reply to it. Keep it in your file. It contains the answers of those points which often haunt the heart of every preceptor. I am also sending

herewith the letter and its reply to Jacob about whom I had written to you from Shoranur. I am also sorry that Sri Narayanaraoji could not come. Well, better luck next time. Now your health might be alright. I am afraid that your health would go down that is why I had given its medicines also. This time the summer started immediately after 'Basant' unusually. Best wishes to all Brothers.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 91 Shahjahanpur
No. E-102/SRCM Dated : 24-02-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your previous letter. You too might have received my cover (a large one) which contained copies of some letters. I wanted to write answers to all of them but now it cannot be done because just now at 11 O' Clock I received your letter, so I am greatly upset. But this is the height of your greatness (foolishness?) that you have written to me to pray for Mallappa. Although I never wanted to do so yet his condition has become stationary though neither yourself not any other Satsangi need to go to the jail to see him, nor it is required to have any connection with him. Never allow him to come to your house under any circumstances even though he may become alright. You should keep away from such village fellows and it is not necessary to take them in the Satsang.

All the events which you have written show that he did possess sense of awareness and therefore even God cannot forgive his crime. And you should not compel me to do something for his good. But wait and see. I am very much upset and I am unable to control. Do not get worried and keep the children away from

this worry. I have torn away your letter. Tell Sarnad not to allow that ungrateful scoundrel in his house.

The Editor of "Pradeep" has sent me a letter. I am sending herewith a copy of my reply to it. Keep it in your file after reading it. His wife has written two or three letters. I have replied to all of them. The copy of my reply to her last letter is also enclosed herewith. The name of the Editor is Vineet Ramchandra. He has taken Shiva as his Guru. I am giving below the beginning portion of his letter:

"At the feet of Sri Babuji (Sri Ramchandraji Maharaj), I humbly dedicate myself at your sacred feet. This is how it happened."

Blessing to children. Bahu (your wife) might have recovered her health by now. I am returning both the letters of Dr. Varadachari after reading them. I wanted to comment on a sentence by way of clarification but now I cannot do it.

As far as possible, the matter pertaining to the family should not be given publicity.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 92 Shahjahanpur
No. E-117/SRCM Dated : 03-03-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I had sent to you a letter on 15th February and it is

returned to me from Bellary undelivered. The address on it was written as, Preceptor, Ram Chandra Mission, Training Centre, XIX Coul Bazaar, Bellary. I am sending the remark of the post office also. The other letters are promptly delivered to you on that address but why this one was not delivered. Please enquire at the post office through writing. I had written another letter No.E.102/SRCM dated 24-02-1960 after that. Please inform whether you got it or not. Along with that letter I had probably sent the copies of my letters to the Editor of "Pradeep" and to his wife. In the above letter I had also written about Mallappa.

It is good that Mallappa has fallen in another jail after getting released from one Jail. I have got nothing to do with him. His activities are most reprehensible because he had the awareness of his senses and also the recognition of mother and sisters. If he had fits let him remain fit into it alone. The Mission does not need such fellows who become the cause of its bad name. He was habituated to keep his eyes impure and soiled otherwise such thought cannot come even in delirium. If one comes across a saint who has gone mad or has become "Avadhut" he (the saint) goes on making others like himself. Not a single unsocial or wicked act will be committed by him. Therefore the beginner should save himself from the "Avadhut".

Received your post card No.232/TCB/SRCM dated 26th February 1960. I have torn away your earlier letter in which you had written about Mallappa, and the reply to which I have already sent to you. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 93 Shahjahanpur
No. E-206/SRCM Dated : 10-04-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received all your affectionate letters. I am very late in replying this time. I had been to Allahabad for a week in connection with the court case. The appeals have been admitted and Sri Chaturvediji has arranged for a lawyer on my behalf. When summon is served on the younger Brother on his behalf also a vakalathnama will be submitted. This is the state of affairs in the present day world that the relative want to put us to loss by fighting the case in a dishonest manner. God help us. After retiring from High Court Sri M.L. Chaturvediji is working as a member of Union Public Service Commission from 3rd March on a monthly salary of Rs.3,000/- as you are connected with him write a congratulatory letter to him. Though it is late give him my reference telling that you came to know about it from my letter. The address is:

Sri M. L. Chaturvedi,
Member, U.P.S.C.,
8-B, Lodhi Estate, New Delhi.

Dear Ramakrishna has done a good thing in purchasing a pump set for irrigation. May God benefit him. I think that department of agriculture and planning office helps in this by giving some money and the department of sugar cane also, if it is there, it also helps. You write to Ramkishenrao to find out whether this amount can be had as aid instead of loan.

I think that probably Narayanashetty and Tirumalaraoji have left the Satsang. The experience is showing that those who are very much gross generally leave it off. Even after removing the grossness there remains the making of inner condition for which they do not wait. Secondly, in the Theosophical Society, there is some such a sort of mental pleasure that one likes to go there again and again. Now if they want to hear from you the reading of books then, if you like it, try to impress upon their hearts and greatness of the philosophy of Sahaj Marg along with its books, so that they may probably remain connected with it and may get benefited.

Remove the dislike and anger which you create against your wife. She is a very pious and good lady.

It is not any bad thing to have interest in reading the books. And especially for you lot of information is required, so that, the literature of the Mission can grow.

Sri Bhimsenrao has written that he will be coming here between 10th and 15th April. It is very glad news.

Sri Subramanyam has written to me also many letters on these lines. I have written to him to inform his father through somebody that he wants to marry such and such a girl. If he gets no such person then he himself should tell. I did not consider it proper to give any other opinion beyond this. I have sent that letter which was about that girl to Kumaraswamy, so that he may compel his father to get him married. Of course, Kumaraswamy complied. But the father is not merely inclined, because he has married another lady who is not the mother of Subramanyam.

I have received a letter from a girl about whom 'M' had mentioned in his Hindi letter, saying that she is doing the puja. It contained the reference of 'M'. I have given the reply to it and have written that I did not know as to what 'M' is busy thinking about because he is not proceeding towards realization of God.

Dr. Varadachari wanted answers to some sentences. I have replied and am sending its copy to you. Keep this in your file after reading it.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : The pain in the stomach is very intense since one week. Now it is

being lessened. No need to worry. I am very glad that you have passed in the examinations.

I have enquired Dr. Kulkarni about his being made a trainer. I have received no reply. I had shown the benefits also in it. Now, if you think it alright, let me start preparing Ayalreddy or any other better person if there is one.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 94 Shahjahanpur
No. E-234/SRCM Dated : 28-04-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received both of your letters. I have written a letter to Narayanashetty. Keep a typed copy of it with you and hand over the original to him. I have observed that people get entangled in the complications of Theosophical Society to such an extent that they remain chained up throughout their life. The fact is that from time to time good lectures will be going on and precepts of wise men will be presented before them. In other Sansthas (organizations) also there is such charm that people do not like to get out of them whether there is life in it or not. On the contrary, whoever comes here goes on doubting only and keeping on judging it by making his ability the tool of testing its heat and cold. As there is neither heat nor cold here, they then start to take work from their imagination and arrive at some conclusion or other. As they enter with doubt the very same thing takes them to undependable conclusions. Few can tell the truth while there are many who represent falsehood as truth.

Everyone praises men of learning and I too do, and at some place I have also humorously remarked that even God does not help the weak persons. And

he alone is weak who lacks self confidence. Now I say that God has reserved a place for those who are fools and that is heaven. The hell is for the sinners and for the ignorant heaven; for the learned the heaven of “Shaddhad” (you might be knowing its significance) and for the innocent “Bramhalok”. I think the above divisions are correct. If I explain it, it will take many pages therefore I leave the explanation to you people.

I feel like writing a puzzle; “Whom does God love more?” Him who has seen Him once yet who remains apart from Him though I wish to write a line or two on this. When did we part from God? When we took up the present form, i.e, human body leaving the Source. When we have started from such a Big Source and having come down to the astral plane which is far below to it, took over abode in the cage of the four elements (Air, water, fire and earth), we should also maintain its remembrance so that we may remain within the sphere of devotion; and to understand our present condition which is material, the place in which we now are is miles away from God with regard to Divine Qualities. It means that idea of God and man should be maintained even after realization. In short, do not throw away the human etiquette after realization.

I am very glad that young Prakash has recovered by the grace of God. But I am still worried that the other Brothers and sisters may not catch the infection of small pox, as it is seen that the children of the same milk get it to some extent. Its scientific reason is that this disease is contagious. Hindus have given great respect to this disease and call this as the emerging of Devi. And in our parts the patients of small pox is worshipped. I think this disease does not go out of India due to this only. I shall tell you it’s Ayurvedic cause. The defect in the mother’s menses is its root cause. I have seen nowhere its treatment which may prevent this disease, but now thought has come to me that during pregnancy if the mother is fed with the ‘Kheer’ prepared out of rice and milk, the baby will not catch this disease. If daily once the food is kept as this ‘Kheer’ only, this disease will never come. There is a precaution also for this disease, which I am writing for your Brother. When this disease starts about six mashas of Khub Kalan which is

called khaksi in Persian, may be tied in a knot of cloth and worn as the neck tie by the children and it may be changed every seventh or eighth day, if, God forbid anybody is attacked with small pox, Khub Kalan should be spread in abundance on his bed. This will absorb all evil juices and the small pox will fully open up and its effect will rise on the skin and this will be sucked up by Khub Kalan and there will be no more any danger. And that prayer 'charm' (yantra) which I have shown has proved so effective that whoever has been given this, never get the small pox and even if it appeared it was a few spots such that the child endured it quite easily. But I cannot say whether a scientist can understand the value of this 'Charm'. If one unpierced (Nasfna) pearl is made to swallow during the days of Holi it will benefit very much. And the patient of small pox also should be given a pearl. The pearl should be really an original one.

The transmission which you had given to your friend at the time of his death, I think, was not directed to him but to yourself. Therefore, he was benefited but too little. And there was fear because that force was limited up to yourself only. What is the reason? You had not formed your concentrated Will but you were in a condition like a man babbling during his sleep which has got no effect. When transmission is given, the transmitter should consider himself to be the Master and his Will and that of the Master should be one, and there should be courage and confidence in himself. There is no dearth of force in you, but you are unable to utilize it properly. I have got so much courage and I never get any doubt (in my ability) that if I want, I can pour the entire ocean of spirituality at a glance. There is nothing short in yourself also but you need to form the necessary courage and will. Of course, it is necessary to form the will and courage and will just to the required extent while transmitting to the living persons.

I also want Brother Sreenivas Rao of Janagaon to become a trainer so that the Satsang may spread more. But he has not yet come to the condition whence he could have conviction (confidence) in himself and faith in me. It shows excessive love of your father that he is keeping the letter as a testimony (Sanad) with himself, though you surely know the motive of my writing it. If you want you

may copy it and have it in your file. Your Brother has got sufficient love and congratulation for his craving.

I too want you to write something on “Siddhis” and I agree with Rishabh Chand though I have not read the book. You might be certainly inconvenienced for food etc. due to your children going away though your peon might be preparing the food rightly or wrongly. One gentleman from Hyderabad, Kishanrao by name, who has heard about me from Vasudevarao wants to join the puja. I shall write to him a post card and also write to him to contact you.

Kishanrao, C/o. D. Damodhar Rao,
No.B/5-368 Vithal Maruti Lane,
Sultan Bazaar, Hyderabad, A.P.,

Sri Bheemsenrao has come here along with his wife and Sri Madhukarrao, he shall return on 30th April.

My health has gone down still further after the pain subsided. Now I am recovering from today. Therefore I have begun to reply to the letters. One more thing to be written is; the abhyasis do not force away the grossness and darkness from behind themselves by their will during the cleaning meditation in the evening, therefore, they are not reaping its full benefit. You explain it to them and write to Sarnadji also to explain it to them. And finally while finishing the meditation they should have the confidence that the bad matter has gone away.

Blessings to children.
Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Your opinion about Ayalreddy is correct. When Sarnadji is living so close by, there is no necessity to make separate arrangement at Sedam. Just today I received a letter from Sarnad. He is coming to you during the third week of May.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 95 Shahjahanpur
No. E-264/SRCM Dated : 12-05-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter dated 5th May 1960. I felt glad. When Sri Narayana Shetty meets you, clarify him that real spirituality lies in actually becoming colourless, odorless and tasteless, because God has none of these. In our system it is endeavoured to take the abhyasi towards Reality. If any colour remains, there can be no purity at all. You know all these things. Call him on someday and explain to him all this and also that let him do any abhyas and let him learn from anybody, if liberation is the goal, he has necessarily to go towards colourlessness.

Dr. K. C. Varadachari has sent an application to Nizam's fund, Hyderabad, requesting for funds for the Ashram. Shri Shiv Mohanlal, Sri Ramuluji and your Brother may join together and after concerted efforts may try for this.

You have written that there was a great increase in your inner heat but immediately after you received my letter of 2nd May it cooled down. I think my letters are now fit to be sent to such places which are situated on the Equator; I shall tell you the real cause. The ability is yours only that you become happy immediately you saw the letter and flow of this happiness created equilibrium, now I shall write the reason. After your reaching the Central Region, I have made slight movement into the particles so that they may begin to get transformed into energy. Einstein's Theory.

This person is the doyen for the scientist. But this is the oldest thing in India. Its utilization can be found in Mahabharat war, though, but its use in spiritual training is an age old thing. And dear Brother, there are more things even greater than this of which probably the scientist have not even had an inkling. That pertains to transformation of energy into ultimate. May God will it so that such personalities may be born as to give me an opportunity to render this humble services in my life time. I have started it i.e., transformation of the particles into energy in you but have not yet been able to remove the material influence from the particles, therefore you felt the heat. Now I shall attend to it. Lo! I have shown you one thing Dr. Varadachari wants that he should be informed first. Now I have written to him that whatever I am doing now, I will not tell him now itself.

In the meditation about cleaning, the shortcoming observed in the Abhyasis is that they do not use their full will force to expel the grossness from their system for forming the smoke in the back side. This thing will have to be correctly explained. Write about this to Sarnadji and I shall also write to him. It will be good if your Brother meets Dr. K.C. Varadachari.

Although the peon prepares the food, yet keep on taking milk, ghee etc.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : I think that the children will come back to you by the end of this month. Sarnadji is to come to you.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 96 Shahjahanpur
No. E-283./SRCM Dated : 05/08-06-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I received your letter dated 17th May, 1960. Your reading about Shivalingappa and Thyagarajan is correct. A layer of intense solidity is formed inside. The grossness has gone out of the hearts of both. Every method of cleaning them, which is known to you is correct. To tell it again remove out that layer towards the right and left of the chest with full force by applying your will power. In this, I have got a bit of experience that when this solidity is taken out more forcibly, slight pain will be felt in the chest of the Abhyasi. Now I am becoming a bit watchful in this. But for this being more cautious it certainly takes more time. And the pain can be removed in only two minutes.

I have replied to the letter of Seshadri and have also asked him to inform me if his complaint has come to normal. This thing, which has greatly worried the people, comes to normal very quickly. I have shown you its point. When you meet me again, I shall show you the practical method of its application.

My state has become such as to be transmitting for throughout 24 hours rather unconsciously to the Satsangis of Southern India. Therefore, it can be said that almost everyone has been getting Divine Grace through me. Although he who is not inclined towards me will be less benefited.

My opinion about Swamy Shivananda of Hrishikesh is very good, but whatever I have read in his commentary on “Tritariyopanishad” shows that wherever any practical matter has come, he has done wrong commentary. This proves that he has not yet gone beyond the sphere of “Mana” (mind). But to find

out this mistake is the work of the ignorant ones (Agnyanis). I know his depth and you also know it. Nevertheless he is a saintly man. I keep my mouth generally shut about the “Mahatmas”. Since, I am not a Mahatma myself, therefore, every Mahatmas does not appear to me to be even a Mahatma.

It is good if Narayana Shetty starts coming to you after June. In fact Theosophical Society is dead and to take pledge in it is just like swearing by the dead. But it does not matter. It is alright if he has taken the pledge. But let him at least take this pledge in Shri Ram Chandra Mission and see. And if he had connected himself with this he would have had the transformation. These things I write to you only and my mouth does not open to say it so clearly before everybody.

You have fully understood the transformation of the particles into energy and you have accepted it also. But you are unable to understand about the conversion of energy into ultimate. If you study Efficacy of Raja Yoga deeply, it will facilitate in understanding it. The ultimate of energy is That only. And that is the condition which brings its originality i.e, where it may reach its original stage and where energy and non-energy both may appear to have become one. It is like having the state of dream while awake. What to do? I don’t get a person prepared to this extent otherwise by the grace of Guru Maharaj, I could have given him a taste of the centre of every atom. I have become a living dead, therefore, I do not want to exhibit my example although by doing so the praise will be of my Guru Maharaj only. Once or twice a thought came to me to concentrate the energy of one particle at a particular place, but I was afraid to do this experiment. The particle possesses not only that destructive energy but its energy can be utilized to improve the health of the general public also. A barren place can be made quite fertile. The land can be made to grow (food). Such a havoc can be wrought by directing its rays that lives can be destroyed without explosion and the same thing can create mass energy in the body so much so that man can become as strong (powerful) as he likes. What the scientist have discovered till now is but very little. They could not yet find out the method of

utilizing the solar system and its benefits till now. They have not yet understood the utility of its attraction.

All the scientist are after energy because they take work from it. And if they do that which is as its backside they can make the antidote for the atom bomb. Let me get a person of that capacity then one can have an idea of the capacity of my Guru Maharaj. I want to give dictations. I have spoken about it from time to time and you have also got some notes. If those notes which you have taken during our conversations are published in Sahaj Marg magazine, I could have developed it still further. Dr. Varadachari believes in the conversion of the energy into the Ultimate. Why don't you transmit to your wife every fourth or sixth day, developing the energy in her so that the weakness may not affect her. Dattatreya Rao is a man of very much love and therefore he has written such a post card.

Blessings to children

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : My health had been very bad during these days but now I am almost alright.

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OM TAT SAT

Letter No. 97 Shahjahanpur

My Raghavendra Raoji,

May God give you long life. After dictating the reply to your previous letter,

I received your letter of 30th June 1960. I read the letters of Thyagarajan and Valvekaraji. You may reply to Valvekaraji in any way you think fit. I am very glad that Sarnadji has passed M.A. in I Dn. I am writing to him also. The son of Dr. Varadachari, Narayan has passed in I Dn. in M.A. (Hons.)

Thyagarajan had also written to me all this. He wants to do the work of the Mission as a Prefect. I appreciate this feeling. But the condition there is such that I could not yet come to any definite conclusion. If somebody comes up to the level by himself he can be made a Prefect.

You have written that you want to come during August and I also felt very happy. Dear Brother, there is no necessity to ask for permission to come home. Nevertheless, I want to have the information about the date of your arrival because I may be found present here.

The girls might have been very much pleased with the Radio and it is also possible that they may learn some Hindi.

Brother, it is all due to the grace of Master that you have advanced so far. This is all your merit only. If I had the control over it, I could have made the entire world like you.

Blessings to children. Did you receive new magazine?

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 98 Shahjahanpur
No. E-330/SRCM Dated : 02-07-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter dated 17th June. I am very late in replying to it. My Brother had lightly written that he would come (the reason is known to him only). The cases are there still. Some such things have developed that I shall tell you orally.

I am glad to the virtual interest of Sri Tirumal Raoji that he wants himself to be declared as a representative by you. There is a very good reply to it which I shall write: every member of mission can represent the Mission and is actually doing so. Now Sri Tirumal Rao's saying you should declare his being the representative shows that he does not consider himself a member of the Mission, because his heart has not yet agreed to his being a member. If he had asked me, I would have replied in the same manner. And then it remains to go to big persons and convince them that he is the representative of the Mission; it will be a very ridiculous thing to do like this, and in this, you will have to spend much for the rickshaw fare. Therefore, the only suitable course for him would be to develop in himself the condition, faith and love to such an extent that people may automatically begin to think him to be the member and the representative of the Mission. Probably, by becoming the representative, Sri Tirumalraoji means to give sittings to people as you do. For this he has to develop such condition and love by himself, to such an extent that I may be compelled to take that work from him.

I am very glad to know that you are coming here in August. Shri Bhimsenrao has also written that he will come here along with Patel Saheb during Dasara (October). I am going to Delhi for four days on the 7th or 8th. Sriramuluji has written from Hyderabad that his application to the Nizam's fund for the Ashram has been dismissed. Now the Doctor Saheb has given another application in the required manner. Sriramuluji thinks that something can be certainly got from there and he is also trying for it. Just now, while writing this

letter, six printed copies of your English translation of the Urdu book have been received here by parcel post from Varadachari. The rest will come from Madras afterwards. You will also receive the required books.

The lectures on the subjects and the questions about Dwaita and Adwaita have confused the brains of the people. The people ought to have found out the taste of the bread by eating it. And the praise of the bread, which is done either right or wrong, can be found out by eating it only. I also thought that I too should write a word or two about it. Really speaking, dear Brother, it is neither Dwaita or Adwaita. It is just what it is. We would not keep our condition opposite (face to face) to the Divinity; what do you call this? As long as there is opposite condition there is the suspicion of Dwaita. And Dwaita will always remain and it shall never vanish. It is obvious that man can never be God. But he has got to remove the opposite condition. Am I right if I say that the removal of the opposite condition amounts to Adwaita? Just ponder over these (two) words. When we utter the word "Ad" and then "Dwaita" we revolve from the top of the circle and come back to the position where from the word "Ad" has its beginning and if we consider it "Dwaita" we need not revolve but, both the sounds proceed from the same shore. The purport of it is that when we remain entangled in the "turn about" of both these words, we remain at our shore only and our view cannot at all reach the other shore. And when we leave of the thought of both of them, we at least, will not get entangled in these contradictory thoughts and definitions. There is a Persian Proverb, "See Laila with the eyes of the Majnun". That is, as Laila was not good looking girl, it requires the eyes of Majnun only to see her (beauty). In the same way if we have to see God the same mad looks are required.

When you write to your friend who has written me "Salam" please write my "Salam" also to him.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : I have not received any information about the condition of Sri Narayana Rao. Please write how he is continuing the abhyas.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 99 Shahjahanpur
No. E-340/SRCM Dated : 05-07-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. A telegram regarding the ill health of Shri Madhav Raoji is received today only. I am very much worried. May God bestow good health on him soon. I have started to pray. Keep on informing the condition. For restoration of health you can help him as I do. As you do cleaning of abhyasis thinking that the darkness is going out in the form of smoke from the backside, you can do the same thing for him also, but by your will it should be dragged out of the body towards back to form smoke as I have recently told the abhyasis. Normally, when one does not get sleep and develops dryness in the brain, for him the process is to think that small cool drops in the form of shower are falling from above effecting coolness. Along with that, transmit applying a light thought that the disease is getting cured. There is no insanity but somebody has to be there always to take care. This precaution is necessary. In this, homeopathy brings about fast relief. Dr. Varadachari had cured this disease in one dose. One person in my office did not have sleep for one year. I had sent him to get homeopathic treatment at Lucknow. He got relief. You may also write the symptoms to Dr. Varadachari. Perhaps, he may prescribe some medicine. He is a competent person.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 100 Shahjahanpur

Dated : 13-07-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. After five days when I returned from Delhi this morning, I received your letter dated 6th July in which the condition of Madhav Rao was written in detail. I started doing prayer from the day I received your telegram. It might have certainly brought effect. For this, I am sending a reply paid telegram to Babu Shivmohanlal for intimating me the condition. In reply to your telegram I had sent a letter to your Hyderabad address, in which all the spiritual methods for his treatment were mentioned since you were there itself. And I know that the same has not been received by you. In that I had also mentioned that homeopathic treatment will bring about fast relief. In one case, Dr. Varadachari had cured a patient in a single dose. In my office there was a person who had no sleep for one year. On my advice, he started taking homeopathic treatment at Lucknow and he was cured. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : English translation of the Urdu book is published. Possibly you will soon receive the same. Even I have not received the same. Only six bound copies are received as sample.

Blessings from Ishwar Sahai, I am quite disturbed to hear the condition of

Shri Madhav Raoji. May God bestow His Grace. I am sure by this time the condition might have improved. Treatment may be going on.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 101 Shahjahanpur
No. E-345/SRCM Dated : 15-07-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I had sent a letter to you on 13-07-1960. Due to strikes at different places, I do not know whether it has been received by you or not. On the same date I had sent a telegram to Shri Shivmohanlal enquiring about the condition of dear Madhav Raoji. There is no reply to that even. This telegram was express reply paid. The reason seems to be strike only. Please inform by return post whatever you come to know about his condition. I have also written a letter to Shivmohanlal ji. I have received a letter from Shri Sarnad also. He is also intending to come with you in the month of August. I had been to Delhi for four to five days. Four to six dignitaries met me and four people have also started abhyas. But it appears that only one or two may sincerely do the practice. A man by the name Musammi Suraj Narayan, a resident of Andhra Pradesh and working as Assistant Secretary to the Government, at Port Blair, Andaman, seems to have taken up the practice sincerely and he is coming for a week in the end of July.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 102 Shahjahanpur
No. E-388/SRCM Dated : 26-10-1960

Dear Brother,

God give you long life. Received all your letters. I could not reply to the letters. What reason shall I give? Laziness has sieged me so much that along with the body there is no awareness of that also. The weakness was to such an extent that I did not feel like lifting my hand. People liked God's lap and I preferred my cot. My dear Raghavendra Rao, have I become useless? If it is so, you people have to pray to remove my laziness. Well, as it is time for the tour now, I am getting relief from weakness. Laziness is little less, but has not gone completely. For South India tour, Central Railway timetable has been made available from Delhi. But Southern Railway timetable is not there. Now, I will prepare the program with the old timetable. Shri Ishwar Sahai was seriously ill. But now he is recovering, rather he is much better than before. Now, there is one difficulty in the program. Babu Shivmohanlal wants me to come to Hyderabad on 27th, 28th, 29th November 1960 so that I may attend the marriage of his son, which falls on those dates. Shri Manjunath Iyer wants me to be with him in January 1961 as his son's M.B.B.S. practical exams are starting from 2nd December and will continue up to the end of December1960. Dr. K.C.V. has no objection to my reaching there on any date of any month. But from his writings it appears that he would like me to be there during Christmas holidays so that he can be with me all the time. For this I have written to Master Sahab to come here. In case he is not able to come, I will go myself and I would have gone but I intend to prepare the field and sow potatoes in my presence. And this may be completed by second or third November. And in view of this, it may be possible to go in the 3rd week of November.

I had sent you six copies, which you did not receive. Again, when they were

sent for second time, you received them. Tirumal Raoji wanted a copy of your article on miracles. His address on his post card was not legible, hence the article has been sent to your address and the reply to his letter has been sent to him directly. Siddanna has left the Mission. A copy of his letter and my reply to it is enclosed for your perusal. Mr. Padki has sent a letter. A copy of the same with my reply is also enclosed. A second letter from him has come, wherein he has requested to accept him as a disciple. I have replied that in training I treat everyone as a Brother. At Bangalore, I will stay with R. Sheshadri.

No letter has been received from Shri Srinivas Raoji, vakil of district Warangal, whose address you had given. He may be doing abhyas. Will it be alright, if I go there for a day, in case I get an opportunity?

There were two floods this time, the house was surrounded by water and it had reached inside the gate to some extent. All the crops in the field got destroyed. There were hopes of good yield this year. No harm was caused to the house.

Brother Ayalreddy Sahab has done good work. He has made a good number of subscribers for Patrika and now I hope that the Patrika will survive. May God reward him for this. Brother Madhav Raoji's health should recover completely. With a thought that his brain is becoming alright, a light transmission bringing soothing and cooling effect may be given to his brain. Before this, the whole disease must be dragged out of the body.

I want to ask you one thing very privately. Will it not be inappropriate to stay at your Brother's house this year since people at home would be in troubled condition. In the New Delhi edition of Hindustan Times of 16.10.60, a review of the book 'Commentary', which you have translated, has been published. Probably a review might have been published in 'The Hindu' paper also because M/s Higgin Bothams Madras have sent a request letter for a sample copy of this book. The editor of the Astrological magazine, which is being published from

Bangalore has also requested for a copy for review. They have also requested to register their magazine's name with us so that all books can be sent by me to them for review.

Shri Vineet Ramchandra Rao of Dharwad has written that he will meet meat Bellary and will take me to his house also.

I want to visit the following places and if time permits, visit those which are underlined, since Basant Panchami falls on 21.1.1961.

1. Hyderabad 2. Vijayawada 3. Dist. Warangal, Srinivas Rao 4. Rajampet 5.Dharwad 6. Sedam 7. Bhootpur 8.Gulbarga 9. Bellary 10. Tirupati 11. Madras 12.Tiruchinapalli 13. Shoranur 14. Bangalore 15. Mysore 16.Salem

Blessings to children. Ask Gulabi, as to what should I bring her from here. The following abhyasis have come in Dasara holidays: Ramchandra Rao, Bheemsen Rao and Patel Sahab (Gulbarga).

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 103 Shahjahanpur
No. E-400/SRCM Dated : 31-10-1960

My Brother Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. My earlier letter might have been received by you. I am sending the program. One copy is being sent to Sripati Sarnad and one to

Ayalreddy. This time, since Shri Manjunath Iyer wants me in January, there was difficulty in preparing the program, journey and the trouble both have increased. It may be possible for me to participate for a day in the marriage of Shivmohanlal Saheb's son. I am sending a copy of the program to Shri Ramchandra Rao Vineet of Dharwad. I have mentioned the names because you need not send the program to them again. I am sending it to Srinivas Rao also. And you may also write a letter to him informing my arrival. Please inform dear Gulabi of my arrival.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 104 Shahjahanpur
No. E-442/SRCM Dated : 07-11-1960

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. I have sent the program copies on 31-10-1960; perhaps you might have received the same. Even I had received Mallappa's letter. I have torn it and thrown it away. Now when you have received the letter, I have sent a reply to that letter, copy of which is enclosed. Nobody should inform of my arrival and departure at any place to Mallappa. On hearing the news, if he comes to meet me, I may have to immediately send him back.

May God bestow good health on dear Madhav Raoji. On seeing him, I can make out what type of treatment he needs and what degree of suggestion is

necessary. I, you and Ishwar Sahai shall pray together. Master Sahab is now in good health. I have great hope that his ailment might not have relapsed. I have given less number of days for you in the program assuming that you will have no objection to it. Shri Manjunath Iyer wanted me to be there in January 1961 because of which difficulties increased. The journey doubled, inconvenience increased and 2-3 days will be wasted. Due to this I am reaching back very late for the Utsav. In Hyderabad I will be staying at Madhav Rao's place. I have received copies of the new timetable, one each in Hindi and English. Therefore the timings in the program are correct.

Perhaps, Shri Kumaraswamy has changed his house, but after sending the program to his old address I got this information. God knows whether he received the program or not. In reply to the post card I have mentioned the time of reaching Vijayawada.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : I am happy to hear that your father after meeting this insignificant being is depending upon me. Just now a letter has been received from Mr. M.L. Chaturvedi saying that he will arrange to reserve my seats and sleeping accommodation in G.T. Express. My son-in-law also said that he will accompany me. But he is still undecided. For any journey covering more than 500 miles, sleeping accommodation is provided without any extra cost. I will send 200 rupees to you so that I may have to carry less cash during the journey.

You may write to Dr. Kulkarni that he may intimate to his friends about my visit to Dharwad and that I will be staying with Shri Vineet Ramchandra Rao so that some people may possibly meet me. To deal with followers of Aurobindo, it may be difficult for learned people; but for the unlearned, as I am, it may not be a problem.

Your translation of Commentary has been appreciated very much by Shri Manjunath Iyer. It looks like original. I feel happy and greatly honored that your father will meet this insignificant being.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 105 Camp Shoranur (Kerala)
No. F-8/SRCM Dated : 03-01-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. We are proceeding to Madras tomorrow by the evening train. We have been informed that our return journey tickets are purchased at Madras. And reservation also has been done in deluxe train. We are starting on 9th January evening at 16.45 hrs. and will reach Wardha at 12.30 p.m. Please intimate Shri Walvekar accordingly. Date of reaching Wardha will be 10th January. We will be available in sleeper coach.

On your request, son of judge Sahab at Delhi has sent three photographs for you. He wanted to handover the photographs to us at Delhi but forgot to do so. Hence he has sent them by post. I am sending them to you. We were disappointed at Shoranur. Probably people were not informed of this previously.

Well, it is all Master's wish.

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I arrived here on the fixed date. The attack of asthma and lumbago which I had at Tirupati continues even now though in a mild form. Our coming here has practically been of no use, except that we met Mr. Muthia Dutt, and enjoyed full rest. A draft regarding the question of casual body as clarified to Dr. K.C. Vardachari has been received. It will be published in the Magazine. Mr. Rajagopalan has suggested to Dr. K.C. Vardachari to write a book on "Sahaj Marg and Modern Psychology". What I desired is that Sahaj Marg should become the seventh school of Philosophy. But it is possible only when learing is not kept in the forefront, and our ideas do not clash mutually. It is good that you have adopted the method of writing and began to give it for the Magazine.

One Mr. D. Malusekharan from Madurai likes your writings most, because they are easily understood and increase devotion. Trichinapalli is a dry place. Everyone wants to become a Preceptor there. Naikaran movement is currently prevalent there. However, four or five persons have joined the Mission there. It is better not to appoint any preceptor there. In Madurai which is near Trichy, Malusekharan can be made a Preceptor, but there are no Satsangis there. If the number of Satsangis increases I will act according to your suggestion.

I will be reaching Shahjahanpur on the 11th January. Inform your condition in detail and the changes you experience. Do write to me whatever you understand regarding the vibrations. Massaging of Meera's leg with Mustard Oil should be continued and the condition may be informed.

Blessings to children. R. Sheshadri also will participate in the Utsav.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 106 Shahjahanpur
No. F-39/SRCM Dated : 13-01-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I arrived here on the afternoon of the 12th. As there was severe cold on the night of the 11th, the Satsangis at Lucknow detained me there. Now-a -days there is cold wave here, which may subside within a couple of days. Seshadri will leave Madras on the 15th evening by G.T. and reach here on the 17th evening. He had met us at Madras also. The printing of the book 'Efficacy of Rajayoga' is over. I have brought some copies with me and left some copies at Madras as desired by Seshadri. He will bring them with him. He may travel in the 1st class and as such no extra freight will have to be paid. I had written a letter from Shoranur, which you might have received. Write to me whatever you feel about your condition. Also inform as to how many copies of Efficacy of Rajyoga should be sent to you. Inform the condition of Meerabai. I am helpless, otherwise I would have taken up the work with great vigor. I had told you the reason. Massaging should be continued. Now the thought of Meerabai is also come along with Gulabi. Sri Subbayya had met me at Madras but only on the day of our departure. Inform Shri Madhava Rao's condition. Has he been discharged from the Hospital and joined his service or not?

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 107 Shahjahanpur
No. F-67/SRCM Dated : 30-01-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter of 19th Jan. 1961. Sri Ramchandra Rao with his wife and nephew Sripadarao and Ayal Reddy participated in the Utsav. Sri R. Seshadri also came on the 17th. and all of them participated in the Utsav. Sri Ramachandra Rao went to Delhi with his family on 21-01-1961 to participate in the Republic Day Celebrations and to see Queen Elizabeth. Many people were crushed in the stampede at Delhi. This had added to the worries. Letters of their safe reaching are being awaited here. I was forced to initiate Sri Sheshadri on the 25th Jan. after the departure of Ramachandra Rao, and I have told him to keep it confidential. He spent a sleepless night weeping all the while with this very thought. The result was that there was a pressure on my heart and I was compelled to initiate. He was made a trainer at Tirupati, which I have already written to you. He was with me at Madras also. Subramanyachari met me at Madras and spoke a few words during his brief stay which cannot be considered a conversation at all. As long as he sat with me I felt that guilty man was sitting before me and there was no effect of my transmission. My heart has not yet accepted him. To state clearly, though he is now married to the same girl, he has had marital connections with her even before marriage which is a sin.

I felt sorry to note the sudden difficulties faced by Brother Dattatreya. In the first instance he has no money to meet the expenses and secondly there arises occasions which compel him to spend more.

Major Lingam and Professor Rajagopalachari have started the practice at Madras. The Professor is a friend of Dr. K.C. Varadachari.

I am glad that Brother Madhava Rao has recovered his health. It is a happy news. Even now I am guarding him and doing one thing or another for him. When I am fully satisfied (about his health) there should be no need for further attention. When you go to Hyderabad next inform Sriramulu in case you find time because Sriramulu has written to his father-in-law Sri Annaiah Naidu of Tirupati that people have read the book and appreciated it. Some people even want to begin the practice. If there is no chance to write letter please inform him through the phone which is installed near Madhavarao's house. Meera Bai's massaging might have been continued. In my opinion, the tail bone which is reported to have been affected should be fomented 4 to 5 times a week. What can I do? I cannot transmit on the affected part for the fear that the centre there may get awakened.

You have written a beautiful sentence, that in spite of being in my presence you crave for my Darshan. Kasturi too has written the same sentence. This shows your high level of approach in the realm of Reality : as Urdu couplet says:

"Rahe Talab Me aise khud Rafta ho Rahe hai,

Manzil ko hum Pahunchakar Manzil ko dhoondte hai"

"I have become so very absorbed and absent minded on the path of Quest that I am searching for the destination even after being on it".

A thought strikes me that I am prepared to suffer the troubles of others. But this is not quite correct because none is prepared to experience my present state.

Sabayya had met me at Madras. He needed heavy cleaning. I did it to a certain extent and informed Sarnad. I do not know what these Preceptors do. In spite of their being close to the Satsangis they do not pay attention to the cleaning.

Chinmayananda will deliver lectures at Chittoor from 25th Jan to 5th Feb. One of the relative of Dr. K.C. Vardachari has made arrangements for his stay ignoring Doctor's opposition for this. Your article was read out during the Utsav and will be published in the Magazine.

It is a fine article. Get it published in Pradeep Magazine. You have become a writer now. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P. S. : Had all your lectures delivered at Theosophical Lodge been given at a public platform many people would have started to follow our system.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 108 Shahjahanpur
No. F-79/SRCM Dated : 08-02-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I am in receipt of your letter dated 1st February 1961. Here the cold was extremely severe before Sheshadri's arrival. A day before his arrival it became tolerable and as long as he stayed here it remained so. After his departure it appeared with greater intensity as if it made up the deficit. The weather was cloudy for one week, rains were heavy and there was fall of hailstorms. Today the sky is clear. There was such a heavy snowfall at Simla that the temperature had gone down to 7 degrees below freezing point. It means that even nature appears to help the Brothers from the South. R. Seshadri has written

a letter which is full of love. He has studied me thoroughly well during his stay here and he has carried such a good impression that he has mistaken me for God. But Brother,

"Sada-e-kun haqueequat ka muddua hoon mai,

Mujhe na Sun ki Bahut dard ki sada hoon mai"

"I am a lover of the Reality of the first vibrations;

Do not hear me for I am the voice of intense pain"

Observing the transformation of Seshadri, his entire family has taken up the practice, and, as he has written, his father also is completely transformed. But he (the father) is too weak and is suffering from heart disease and so on. So I have not been able to discover any remedy to help him.

You have transcended the limits of time and space. But I will be able to tell you after some days that whether you are absolutely free from them. Now remains question of Bheeshma Pitamaha and others. This has not occurred to me till now, nor have I thought over it. There is certainly a veil by tearing which, I think a man can die according to his own will. I had once turned such a veil of a gentleman. At that time Master explained to me that it was such and such a veil and so he probably put a bondage there. I want to write so many things but when I sit to write down I forget all of them.

I am proceeding to Lakhimpur on the 11th February to participate in the marriage ceremony of the daughter of Sri Ishwar Sahai. After staying there for 2 days on 11th and 12th, I shall go to the village Kukra and spend 3 days there. I shall return to Shahjahanpur by the 21st February, via Lakhimpur. I have received a letter from Germany. Permission to translate Reality at Dawn in German Language is sought. I have sent a copy of the same to Dr. K.C. Vardachari also. I

could not send the copy of my reply to him as it was not ready by that time. I think that permission should be given. Intimate the condition of Chi. Meera Bai. I am improving my health a lot because I have been constantly massaging my body with Mustard Oil. Next time when you come I shall manage to send 2 Ltrs of Oil with you so that your children may massage with it and especially your wife who is very weak. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : I have just now at 08.45 P.M received a telegram from Trichy that Thyagarajan has gone mad since three days. By Master's grace, I have controlled him. I did not want to pray for him for 3 months. He has committed a great blunder, but thinking that it would become a matter of blame for me I took up his case soon. He has lost all that he had gained and now he is not even receptive. In what way should I write about his blunder? Seshadri will tour Bidar District also. Inform Shambu Rao that when Seshadri goes there members should have Satsang with him. Also intimate Seshadri's address to him.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 109 Shahjahanpur
No. F-131/SRCM Dated : 10-03-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your two letters. Sorry to note the illness of your wife. May God bless her with normal health. You were capable enough of giving her mental relief, nevertheless she must have had it to a certain extent. I often think of Meerabai because she is go to others house (after marriage). Massaging should be continued especially below the waist. I had requested Mr.

Manjunath Iyer of Mysore to send you “Narayana Tel” because he had promised to send it for me. It was not required by me as the pain was within my abdomen. On receipt of the Oil, it may be massaged well below the groin, legs and hands. I am happy to know that Madhavrao is attending the College. Even now I do something for him. You are now entitled for sweets from your sister-in-law.

It was good that Sri Sarnadji had touched the feet of Sri Ramdasji. He is really good man and I respect him. But Brother I cannot help the eyes which have kissed the feet of my Master. He has mistaken a ‘drop’ for a ‘river’ and is not progressing further. He is not to be blamed for this. But from where do I gather the courage to tell him that Delhi (Goal) is yet far off. He has satisfied the fervor of his Godly love with mere moisture of the sand. (It will be just like a saying: ‘small mouth and big talk’).

What are you thinking? You can cure a lunatic. Do not harbor the idea of being mad yourself. That which you call madness is a state of love. You can call it blind wisdom or refined madness for the sake of understanding. Anyway it is somewhat peculiar thing. Well you try to cure Thyagarajan. The method is the same. Draw and throw the madness out of the body and improve the intellect. I do not say that it is good because, if your will power is not strong enough, without even slightest doubt, the disease will affect the person trying to remove it.

You try to give more attention towards the cleaning of the Satsangis Transmission is a spiritual intoxication which is more useful than the other ones. The field will be ready when all Chakras and the subtle body are purified.

Sri Ayalreddy of Sedam has written that he wants to have a sign board prepared. He might have written to you also. Write to him whichever the following is appropriate may be got written.

Shri Ramchandra Mission- Branch Sedam, Gulbarga.

Shri Ramchandra Mission – Branch Gulbarga, Sedam.

I have given my suggestion whichever you think proper may be informed. Infact Gulbarga is the Branch, which is working at Sedam.

Mr. Robert Kotch, has nearly began the practice as you wanted him to do. I am sending a copy of his letter and a copy of my letter for your perusal. You can file it. God alone knows whether I reply correctly or not. There is nobody to help me here. Give special attention to the inner cleaning of Babu Shivamohanlal of Hyderabad, so that he may be useful to the Mission.

With blessings, Love to children.

Yours, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 110 Shahjahanpur
No. F-196/SRCM Dated : 24-04-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I am in receipt of all your letters. The intense stomach ache troubled me much for 10-12 days. Now the pain is normal i.e., to the extent I can bear it. I am very glad to note that your wife is recovering her health. The strength of the mind also should be developed. It is better that your father has taken 2 of your daughters with him to the Village, in the sense that there would be change of air and water and they will get sufficient milk and ghee.

But their mother might be remembering them.

The purchaser of the house cannot evict Brother Dattatreya Rao legally. Here in our parts the tenants vacate only after getting an amount to the extent or Rs.1,000/-. Brother Madhavrao is unnecessarily thinking that he is still sick. It is very slight to the extent of only one percent, to which I attend at times. God willing, it will also not remain. The marriage ceremony of the daughter of Dr. K.C.Varadachari is on the 26th May 1961. So you have to go before or after the marriage in order to speak in detail about Meerabai's health. Brother Sarnad should not make haste in getting his teeth removed. I would suggest him some precautions. It is experienced that people who got their teeth extracted on account of Pyorrhea lost their teeth but have not gained their health also.

I am not going out from April to June, because those who have vacation during this period come to me and usually I do not leave the house so soon. Babu Shivmohanlal had enquired about Chaturbhuj Sahai, a copy of the letter together with its reply is enclosed. Chaturbhuj Sahai who had lost spirituality long before his death. The Master withdrew spiritual power of all those who did not accept me as the representative nor they tested me whether I have the required state. And he spoiled the work to an extent which was not expected of him by anybody. He has wrongly elevated his own status in Lalaji's biography. The words of praise and compliments used for me by the Master of which I have ample proof, with me he had attributed to himself before others when he knew this.

Brother, this Vineet ji proved to be a wonderful person, I wanted to take work from him as he is very good and influential man. He had written to me in his very first letter "I entirely surrender to thee". I think I had told him about his wife also that there is sort of madness in her. This also he has told her and probably this might have made her unpleasant. I am so straight forward a being that people think that there is no worth in me, due to my simplicity, and this appears to be true to a certain extent. I have written to him a letter, a copy of which is enclosed. A centre cannot be opened at Dharwar at present. You have to work for

that. Those trained at your hands are proving to be good and useful for example – Ayalreddy, Sarnad etc. It is true that you have no field to work, but then you are preparing the field and it is getting ready.

Saibaba has got a very good temple constructed at Madras. Another will be constructed at Madurai. Those having faith in him collected donations. Governor K.M. Munshi is his disciple. I do not understand whether it is any attainment that idols get emerged. Had I met him, I would have seen how he would make the idols emerge. These people have really spoiled the public.
Blessings to children.

P. S. : Sri Ramchandra Rao has written a letter that he would be coming on 25th April along with friends.

Yours, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 111 Shahjahanpur
No. F-242/SRCM Dated : 23-05-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your both letters. Sri Ramachandra Rao, Sri Bheemsenrao and Sri Shyam Rao came on 26h April. Shyam Rao is one who had met me at Sedam, who has some defect in one of his eyes. Now it is alright. On 4th May Gunderao, Shambhurao and Sri Gopalrao who had studied with you at Hyderabad along with his wife and children had come. They went back on 19th May. I had sent a copy of Sri Vineet Ramachandra Rao's letter which you might

have received. A copy of his reply together with my reply to his letter are being sent. I sent the copies of letters because they are related to your Centre and as such you must know everything. Secondly they enrich your experience which will help you in framing the future working policies. Sarnad also has written to me that Vineetji's wife appreciated Saibaba more. And so Vineetji also was compelled to get himself initiated by him. And when he was convinced of the Baba being God, he began to praise him in his Pradeep Magazine. Dr. K.C. Vardachari has expressed the same opinion which you had written in two words in your last letter. Vineetji had requested me also to test him (Saibaba) that he is infinitely great and that I should send my opinion regarding him. In fact Vineetji has made his mind a choultry where every traveller can stay. As he has written, he is practicing meditation according to our system which in other words means that he is securing food from us and becoming loyal to others. Well whatever it may be.

'P' has written harsh words and the fun is that there is no mistake at all on my part. Even then people behave with me like this. I tell you privately that 'P' has blood disease which I did not know previously. We should not have admitted him unless we were compelled to do so. Seshadri used to go to his house to give sitting but he 'P' never went to Sheshadri's house. Seshadri had written to me that I should direct him 'P' to go to his house. I wrote to him that sometimes 'P' should go to Seshadri and at times that latter should go to the former. Secondly he used to have strong sexual feelings. I had written to him to have constant remembrance in that state, and that he should restrain himself to a certain extent at least. He did not like this suggestion also. Ranade had chided him on this very account due to which he left Ranade. I do not know why I go after pleasing others. I reproduce a few line of his letter which were written in anger.

"Regarding other things I have no desire to enter into arguments with you. Better they are left over for a frank and full discussion when you are here next, till then let us wait."

It is good that your Brother Hanumantharao is alright now. You have enquired Captain L.N. Srivastav. He has the same long beard as you have seen him in the photograph. Professor Shivamohanlal had enquired regarding Dr. Chaturbuj Sahay. I have sent him a reply and a copy of which is also sent to you. Since then there is no letter from Shivamohanlal. He never delayed so long to write to me. Sri Misrilal Chaturvedi had gone to Hyderabad on 31st May on Government work. I have written to all to meet him and have Satsang. He will return to Delhi on 21st. I felt sorry to know about the transfer of Brother Narayan Rao to Raïchur, because he left you. But it is good that Satsang would spread there also. Some free pamphlets are given to him for publicity. I always worry about the health of your wife. May God keep her healthy. The question raised by the Professor regarding faith that it comes after realization is as absurd as saying that the child be born first and then marriage be performed. Don't be afraid of the Professor at all. He is a Philosopher in deed whose Philosophy is based upon doubt and your Philosophy stands on a base upon which a long lasting building can be constructed. I have also written about faith in my previous letters and as I do not remember them, I gave different and new definitions. God knows what I have written. Well I write again. Faith itself is the foundation on which realization begins. In the "Introduction to Indian Philosophy" on page 419, wherein it is mentioned even as per Vedanta, an initial faith is also necessary for religious life and thought". In the Reality at Dawn also I have said about faith. Faith is that unbreakable link which once established cannot be broken. An abhyasi who does not develop faith can never progress. If the professor puts you any question, direct them to me. I will write my views to you. It is very difficult for me to say anything without questions being put, because I have brushed aside the knowledge and have attained Realisation by Master's grace. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 112 Shahjahanpur
No. F-332/SRCM Dated : 16/18-07-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received all your letters. There has been delay in reply. You might have gone to Bangalore. I had sent you a telegram not to waste money on your journey to Bangalore to meet Shri Sheshadri, because Sheshadri 2nd had come over here on July and left on 17th. He will stay at Delhi for a day and return to Bangalore from there. 'P' has left the Mission. I have written to you the reasons. He is in search of such a Mahatma who let him loose to have sexual enjoyment and at the same time gives him spiritual training. You have written that 'P' and Vineetji have love towards me, but 'P' is against me. Yes, Vineetji has some regards for me, but he is helpless. Much praise has been sung of a naked sword although its function is to cut. Now, it requires brain to use it, so that it may strike the enemy and not the friend or self. Here, the sword is used on one's own self. Our will power is used to destroy ourselves.

I have heard that Ramchandra Rao of Bhootpur had gone to Sai Baba and there is nothing wrong in it nor do I have any objection. It is certain that those who are not firm, quickly slip towards material things. It is probable that the reason for his going there might be that he has no issues. He had once mentioned this thing to me also. If you like you may suggest him on your own behalf that if his wife meditates on the womb, this desire will be fulfilled, and in the evening she should meditate with the thought that all the disorders of the womb are going out in the form of smoke. While doing so the aim should be of having a child. But spirituality is far away from this. After fulfilling this aim, it will be very difficult for me to bring them on the spiritual path. I have already tested this process and it is correct and the person whose desire was fulfilled did not

turn up to me even to say thanks. I was not hankering after respect, but I always appreciate etiquette.

You have enquired about the Nagina (gem) that could be given to everyone. I thought over it very much and put it before master Sahab and Sheshadri also. The result was that it should not be embedded in a ring or locket. People may object to it also looks awkward in the sense that it develops solidity in the abhyasis. However, get a few of them when you come. Let there be some gems to praise Narayana Shetty. Shri Gopal Rao has also sought my permission (to use the gem) at your instance. The same reply holds good in his case also. Unnecessary show should be avoided as far as possible.

Within two weeks Sarnad would be transferred to Mysore. I will send him the amendments to "Reality at Dawn". I am glad that you are coming on 1st September. The people of Raïchur are trying to spread Satsang it will gain speed when Shri Narayan Rao reaches there. Brother Ayalreddy's praise is heard from every quarter that he is visiting several places rendering benefit of Satsang. Brother Sheshadri visits Bijapur also. I do not know Dr. Kulkarni's address otherwise I would have given it to Sheshadri. As he tours the whole of Mysore state, satsangis can be benefitted all over. You give me his address. I will write to both Dr. Kulkarni and Sheshadri. It is good if Ramkrishna Rao also accompanies you and if Narayan Rao also ventures to join you it would be still better. You have nicely expressed your condition. You are trying to enter the first ring of splendour but you are not able to do it. I do not know why I am not taking you up there. After pondering over the matter, I find that either you should reach there of your own accord or you should develop such a strength. Many internal things should develop in such a way that they need no more attention. Then you can proceed further. It is nice that now you are coming too. Dr. Varadachari has written a nice article based on the authority of Vedas, in which he has expressed his opinion on divinization. He wanted my opinion also regarding the same. Keeping in view the divinization and his opinion I have communicated my humble opinion. I am now sending it to Mr. Robert Kotch of Germany so that it can be translated in German

and published in some newspaper if he thinks fit. I am sending you a copy of the same. I have sent it already to Dr. Varadachari, but as it is now to be published in the newspaper, it has been improved upon. Because you are a philosopher and sadhak, I am sending it for your opinion. You can keep it with you only. I am worried about Meerabai that she must improve somehow or the other. Master Sahab, Kasturi and her mother have come. Some satsangis who had come from Lucknow have now left.

Blessing to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : You have given correct translation of the word Hilum Shadow as 'Dahar' in Hindi. It would be better if the original word hilum shadow is also written in the bracket after the word dahar.

'G' has written a letter from Trichinapalli that he wants to join the Mission again. In it, there is no mention of either repentance of his mistakes or apology for his wrongs. I will send that letter to you which may be filed after reading it. I am not writing any reply to it. Nor do I intend to admit him. Also he is no more receptive I do not feel like giving attention to him. Sheshadri has left for Delhi on his homeward journey. He will resume his duty on 24th July. He is a man full of affection. It is better to compile and copy all my letters. Afterwards you can easily give them to whomsoever you want. Even if they (copies) are lost, the original will be with you. Shri Shivmohanlal appreciates my views very much.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 113 Shahjahanpur
No. F-371/SRCM Dated : 09-08-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Everything is O.K. here, by the grace of God. These days my blood pressure had become very low. I am now recovering gradually. I got both of your letters. The fast of Janmashtami will have to be observed on 1st September. I have informed Shri Ayalreddy, Shri Krishen Rao and Shri Bheemsen Rao. Before replying to your letter, let me write something of my purpose. I want a guntapongalu pot. I have heard that pots made of good stone are available at Bellary. One which I had brought along with me from Shri Ramchandra Rao was given to my elder daughter. I want to give another to my younger daughter in the marriage, which I hope will be celebrated during this winter. Negotiations are going on at one place. I am sure it will be settled within a week or two. If you find it difficult to bring the stone (guntapongalu patra) on account of long distance then let us see later on. By Lord's Grace, I took you to the first ring of splendour on 6th August at 11.30 p.m.

You had the fear and agitation because you wanted to proceed further but you could not. It is only here that there is absolute necessity of the teacher. Another strong symptom also in the higher region is that fear and excitement are felt on account of not being able to proceed further. Though abhyasi tries hard to go up, he cannot do so unless he gets some one having command over the region higher than this. When the disciple completely merges himself in the Guru, the latter becomes restless to take him further, especially when former is unable to go further of his own accord. I will answer a question which possibly arises in everybody's mind, "Guru happens to be a traveler of the other world (amar lok), how is it possible for the disciple to advance to higher region when
Needed?"

"If Guru is a liberated one, the disciple will surely receive the help provided he develops a spiritual condition due to which his voice reaches the Guru. The voice of those people who are initiated by him reaches the Guru quickly. Apart

from this there are Representative and Teachers, trainers who fulfil the needs of the Abhyasi (disciple)".

I shall be very glad if Shri Walvekarji and others accompany you. You can gladly stay here as long as time permits and regarding the benefit you bring it along with you.

If a man comes with repentance for his wrongs and if he is inclined towards spirituality, he should be admitted, but he should not repeat the same. If he turns his attention towards God with repentance for his sins, he will soon become pure. This includes a prayer to pardoning him for his sins together with weeping, etc., It is written in Holy Quran (Hadis) that, "if a devotee (Banda) prays to pardon him and weeps I feel ashamed and I accept him as mine."

A gentleman has sent a photograph of Sai Baba. His robust body, handsomeness and smile were certainly really charming in it. His heart also seemed soft. Looking to these things everybody feels inclined to love him. But regarding his spiritual approach, your opinion is correct. Kabir has said, "To whom shall I explain when the whole house is blind." We have no faith in oneness of God. We are partly influenced by environment and partly spoiled by association. The western culture also made an impact to a certain extent. When we rose above these things to some extent, wrong spiritual training completed our fall, with the result that we retrogressed thousands of miles from spirituality.

Now, remains yours question that how is it that a man is given four punishments for a single sin. I want to answer it philosophically but there is nobody to write. So, I write in a straight-forward and simple manner. Man is a complex being. Whenever he does some good or bad deed, mind thinks and heart decides and the concerned human organs begin to function. In both of these, there has been help from brain (mind) and heart. The (sense) organ which functioned also remained guilty. And as this was a part of the body this also had the responsibility. Whenever we think of bad things we leave impressions of bad

thoughts in the atmosphere. Nature will punish for it separately. One would get a bad life or hell according to the sin he had done. He will be punished in hell to the extent required, the rest will have to be undergone by taking a birth in this world. The brain (mind), which felt the deed to be bad, felt guilty; that is its punishment. Its result was bad, this was the punishment to the heart and society also hooted him out. He got hell, i.e., punishment of nature because he had spoiled the atmosphere; the third punishment which the body and its associates got. Thus, all the people or the senses that helped in committing the sin got punishment. I am writing this letter myself and as such I am not able to clarify more. I shall write next if I get somebody to write.

"Dekha jamal-e-yar tabeeyat machal gayee

Ankhonka tha qusoor chhuri dil pe chal gayee"

"When I saw the beauty of my beloved my mind got stirred;

The fault was of the eyes but the heart got stabbed" Blessings to children"

Well-wisher Ram Chandra

P.S. : I had received a letter from Dr. K.C.Varadachari. You have not written to him for a long time. So he is anxious to know about the welfare of your children and yourself. Please write to him.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 114 Shahjahanpur

No. F-466/SRCM Dated : 22-09-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received both of your letters. Whatever you have written to Ayalreddy regarding Mr. Nartak is quite right. When Sheshadri was here, he was telling me that he would be transferred to Madurai. It would have been better had Sarnadji been transferred to Bangalore. I have not been able to reply to Sarnadji's letter. I would be doing so within a day or two. Laziness and weakness are the reasons for not writing the reply. I had received a copy of the letter written to you by Ayal Reddy . I am now sending the reply that I have given him. Go through it carefully and keep it in your file. I have received a letter from Dr. Varadachari today saying that he is seriously ill. May God restore his health soon.

The method I had explained to you with regard to attracting the whole world, for which you need not apply such a sharp method. But a very light thought that the whole world is being attracted to the Mission would be sufficient. If any transmission is needed it will flow automatically. Nor should you strain yourself so much that your heart gets perplexed. So long as you have trouble in the heart, have rest and postpone this work. I think your trouble is due to gas and not due to any spiritual reasons. Have it treated medically. If you give up taking rice for a few days, the pain will be cured on its own accord. If you cannot give up rice, take moong dal khichadi (green gram cooked with rice together) with butter milk. Do not be careless in treating this and you should always try to keep your health well because you have yet to do much work for which sound health is necessary. You have asked a question: how far will it be effective if one assumes the role of the Master (while transmitting)? I would like to say that it would be absolutely effective. Assuming the role of Master means that the Master himself is working, and Raghavendra Rao is not working. And it is also true. If the theory of invertendo is applied, servant becomes Master and Master becomes servant. It means that both of them lose their status and do not know what happens later. By prayer also the same results can be obtained. Prayer is easy for you because you cannot check the flow of transmission. The effect is same. Brother, put yourself to work. Let not your mind be engaged under the

pressure of forceful thoughts, lest you should be perplexed. Light attention will be more effective. God has not given us the mind and heart to engage them like laborers. It becomes necessary to put intense effort from the heart in the circumstances whenever a royal system has to be uprooted or to destroy some continent according to the divine orders. Please note this because I may forget it and when both of us meet, you may ask me as to the extent of time and mode of utility of power or you need not even ask me. When you take up work and go on doing it slowly and steadily you would see the effect of this work and you would know yourself and experience the results.

When my stomach ache increases, the pain in the heart also increases. The air (gas) begins to strike the heart. I suggest you two medicines, which are mere food items rather than any medicines. Squeeze a lemon in a cup of hot water and take it once or twice a day. Water should be as hot as tea. The second medicine as stated by Kashiram, and which is usually prescribed in Naturopathy for stimulation of heart and stomach is to have a mixture of lemon juice, ginger juice and pure honey in equal quantity to be taken, about a tola (ten grams), after meals. Because of hot climate there, you may have the medicine prepared to suffice for four or five days. Take a light stroll in the morning for about a mile before breakfast or tea. If you do not find walking interesting you may take Gulabi with you as Meera cannot walk that distance.

I am very much worried about your pain. May God give you relief by the time this letter reaches you and intimate your condition by a post card as soon as you receive this letter. I have asked Master Sahab to bring his wife here for medical treatment. She was suffering from high blood pressure and anemia. She is gradually recovering. She will have to stay here for more than a month. Master Sahab may have to go for four or five days to perform Shradda during pitru paksha. Mr. M.L. Chaturvedi will stay at Madras in connection with Government work from 3rd to 5th October. His tour of Bombay is over and he may return from Calcutta to Delhi tomorrow. He is travelling by air and will reach Madras in few hours. I have written to some people at Madras to meet and have Satsang with

him. Ishwar Sahai conveys his Namaskar to you. Shri Bheemsen Rao has written that he along with some Brothers of Sedam and Bidar would be coming to my humble dwelling during Dasara vacations. I am happy over it. Blessing to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 115 Shahjahanpur
No. F-490/SRCM Dated : 28-09-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Hope you have received a copy of my letter written to Shri Ayalreddy. Dr. Varadachari is seriously ill and has not taken food for the last 10 or 12 days. He has intense pain in the head. Doctors opined that he had developed Glaucoma in the right eye. He cannot write letter. His son Narayana has written. May God give him good health. You also pray constantly for his health. An important news is that, Shri S. Mukarjee, a good doctor in homeopathy, working in the Railway department who had been on leave and residing with his children at his father-in-law's house at Purulia in West Bengal died of heart failure at 7.00 a.m. on 12th September 1961. This has caused grief to all of us. He has left behind five children. The eldest one is studying in VIII class. They have no source of livelihood. His Brother-in-law who is a matriculate, and studying a course of arts, may be able to help a little after getting a job. May God bless all those and create a source of livelihood for them.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 116 Shahjahanpur
No. F-500/SRCM Dated : 30-09-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. I am glad to note that you are improving. Intimate me when you become completely alright, so that I may also start gradually working upon you. I am grateful to God that my prayer was fruitful and you also have written the same thing. I heartily wish that Meerabai becomes alright. I found myself useless for her. I had told you the reasons. But she will surely improve. I have also received a letter from Walvekarji and have replied it. He is a very good man. It is good that you have written to extend the activities of the Mission in Maharashtra. Sarnadji has come to Dharwad. I am writing to him also. Preserve the letter of Ayalreddy in your file carefully. Perhaps he is alright now. On hearing from you I shall write one more letter to Shri Ayalreddy which may influence him not to think about it in future. Yesterday I have written to you a letter stating that Dr. Varadachari is having doubt that he is developing Glaucoma. I had wired Dr. V. Mohan Rao, eye surgeon and sent him to Tirupati. After check-up, he has sent a reply by telegram (which is received just now) stating that it is not Glaucoma but Neuralgia. You pray so that he may recover. During Dasara holidays, Bheemsen Rao and some people from Sedam and Bidar are coming here. Master Sahab's wife was under medical treatment here. She is improving slowly. Walvekar has developed complex thoughts which need cleaning. You please attend to this. Narasappa's letter is received. The people working under him with whom he had good relations created displeasure between him and his officer.

If it is true, then there is no end for such wrongs. Narasappa has not received his salary for the last three months. It is strange to hear that one does not receive his salary even in government department.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 117 Shahjahanpur
No. F-509/SRCM Dated : 03-10-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I have received a letter from Shri Ayal Reddy which is a reply to my letter, a copy of which was sent to you. He has repented sufficiently and is very much ashamed of. I think you might have forgiven him. If so, intimate me of it so that I may also change my thought. Write about this soon. Shri Ayal Reddy has written that he is intending to come to Shahjahanpur on 8th October. This may mean both, that either he may reach this place or he may leave his residence on that date. How is your health now? Take care of your health because I have to take a lot work from you. I have gifted my health to illness. Now, I want to see my children to be healthy because my mind may be cheerful. Meerabai might have improved more. May God give her good health.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 118 Shahjahanpur
No. F-524/SRCM Dated : 09-10-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter of 3rd October and also the money order of Rs.30/-. I have set apart Rs.5/- for Kumaraswamy and Rs.25/- for Mrs. Mukarjee. You did a good thing in helping them now. There is no question of returning this amount, but I think that your salary is so meagre that only due to God's grace you are able to maintain within that. I have sent from here Rs.50/- out of Mission funds and Rs.50/- might have been sent today from the Lakhimpur branch. I will be sending your money of Rs.25/- by tomorrow. I have received a letter of Dr. Varadachari from Madras written by somebody else on his dictation. On examination there also, it was found that he has not developed Glaucoma. But the pain increased only at certain times, particularly from 11.30 p.m. to 01.00 a.m. Mr. Chaturvedi had gone to Madras on some government duty. I have written to some of the satsangis there to meet him, so they met him along with Dr. Varadachari and had Satsang also. Shri Ishwar Sahai has returned yesterday from Lakhimpur after staying for 4 to 5 days there. His wife is still here for medical treatment and is now better. Shri Shivalingappa and three others have started from Sedam for Shahjahanpur on 8th morning. People are asking me the program of my tour of South India. But I cannot say anything at present, because the marriage negotiations of Chaya are likely to be finalised after Dasara. After that, it will be decided according to the situation.

Letters are being received from Dattaraj Nartak. It is quite evident from his letters that he is trying to make himself better and to achieve further progress. I

have replied to his letters. I am sending their copies of letters which may please be filed. Mr. Robert Koch will begin translating Reality at Dawn into German after this winter.

So far, I have reported the news as a reutter. Now I wish to give out things of my heart. Now it is up to you to find out where it is. I am so tired that I have become a lover of brevity and have created two words out of one to point out the condition of Mahatmas. When we go to see a Mahatma who is really a saint, the word "Darshan" would be all right. There are Panch-Kalyani Mahatmas (the word Panch-Kalyani is not used in the cultured language. This word is used in the sense that one has many fancies and colours). But you know that real Mahatmas have nothing of this sort. For these Panchkalyani Mahatmas, the word "Darsan" is alright. Hence I will be using both the words darshan and darsan whichever is fit for that different Mahatmas. The strength of these words should be understood (in a humorous way) as that of the He-Man and pseudo He-Man respectively. The article you have sent is good and the greatest merit is that there is life in your words. Shri Ishwar Sahai also will see it, which is also good. Take care of your health and please take the preparation made of 5 to 7 almonds in the way I have shown to you, which helps in brain nourishment. After breaking the almonds, the kernel may be well soaked overnight in water. Then after peeling the red skin, the almonds should be ground to fine paste adding 5 or 7 black pepper corns. After mixing 2 or 3 ounces of water to the paste it should be cooked in ghee. Adding sugar or crystal sugar, it should be taken in the morning. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : A letter from Shri M.D. Jahagirdar is also received. I have written a few lines in reply, a copy of which is being sent to you. It is very difficult to reply to these letters in which not a single point is worthy to be replied. Only because of an apprehension they have to be replied somehow, collecting the matter from here and there. Because in case they do not get any reply, they keep pestering me for it. Before I got your letter, I had sent a reply to V. Mohan Rao whose letter

also did not deserve any reply. Even then I replied.

Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 119 Shahjahanpur
No. F-554/SRCM Dated : 31-10-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I received both your affectionate letters, a post card and a cover. Brothers M.D. Jahagirdar, Shankar Rao, Ramchandra Rao Pujar, Ayalreddy and Shivalingappa had been here for one week. Then Shri Bheemsen Rao and Sharanappa came. Now, all of them have gone. Today, I have received a letter from Ayalreddy saying that Sidramappa Raikod and Ramchandra Rao of Bhootpur and some others will start for Shahjahanpur by 27th or 29th of this month. Shri Ayalreddy is going to Raïchur. I did not refer to the previous story with Ayalreddy, but told him only this much that he should think of you (Raghavendra Raoji) as his Brother and your orders as mine. The rest I will do to bring him up to a certain stage through correspondence. He is trying his level best to spread Satsang. Raikod Patil is ready to give the amount for the publication of Reality at Dawn in Kannada. Ayalreddy was saying that two merchants from Bidar are prepared to donate for the printing of the second edition of Reality at Dawn. The translation of “My Vision” in Kannada should be proper and the translation of Reality at Dawn (as a whole), should be such that it should convey as the full sense and I may also be consulted. Sarnadji had asked some thoughts in the book and I have replied him. He had some difference of opinion. He has not yet written about my reply. After receiving his reply, I intend to write to him about the

additions I have made in the book. You should also write to him to decide about these matters early so that the press copy may be ready. You have very nicely expressed your condition to Dr. Varadachari as, “I am finding myself where I am not.” It means that egoism is almost dead. I cannot tour South India this year, the reason being that Chaya’s marriage negotiations are going on. They have promised to give the reply after seeing the girl during the last week of November 1961. I gave an opportunity to the boy’s father to see the girl . He has approved the girl. But now he is insisting that his wife also should see the girl and approve. As such they are coming here during the last week of November. When wife approves the girl, the betrothal ceremony will be arranged by me in December and the marriage will be performed in January or February. The boy is quite nice and his father is a man of D.S.P. grade. You pray for settlement of the marriage. The girl’s marriage is overdue. After this marriage, I will be free from all worries. Only the education of two younger boys will continue. Shri Dattaraj Nartak is having a keen interest in spirituality. In order to spread the Mission, he had asked me whether Christians and Muslims can be taken in the Mission and that whether giving up meat-eating is necessary for those who have entered the Mission. If this is compulsory then he would ask his Harijan friend to abstain from eating meat and take him into the Mission. I have replied to him and I am sending a copy to you as guidance for Prefects and Preceptors. Please send a copy of it to Shri Ayalreddy and Sarnadji. I wish that the copy should not be given to anybody except the trainers. Shri Bheemsen Rao was asking for a copy of the same which I denied. I do not know in what way the other satsangis will interpret and place it before others.

You are now residing in the First Ring of the Central Region. You have become one with the Potency there. When I see the tendency to reach the second ring, by Master’s Grace, I will send you to the second ring. When the tendency to proceed further develops, a sort of restlessness and irritation also increases, which you have experienced before entering the Ring. When restlessness increases in the disciple to the maximum extent and if the Guru does not take him forward, then the latter also feels restlessness to such a great extent

that he (Guru) cannot but take his disciple to the next higher step. By this I do not mean that you should always think of restlessness and irritation. Nowadays the stomach ache has increased due to the change of season and I am writing this letter in that very state. When it becomes unbearable, I lie down and then again begin to write. Probably it may not have been possible for me to bring proper construction of words. As for the meaning, it is quite clear.

It is good that you went to Bijapur. Some satsangis may increase due to the influence of Dr. Kulkarni. But as luck would have it, you could not have the darsan of swamiji. What can poor swamiji do? His disciples surround him like flies. The public also will get a saint to match its own calibre. Because the number of followers is large, they are more respected. Akbar has rightly said :

"Qadardanon ki tabeeyat ka ajeeb rang hai aaj;

Bulbulon ko hai ye hasrat ke hum ulloo na huve"

"The temperament of the respected wise is peculiar today;

The Bulbuls feel sorry that they did not become owls."

Floods in Shahjahanpur were quite ordinary. They were abnormal in Patna and Lucknow.

Master Sahab along with his wife stayed here for one-and-a half month. She was benefited by the treatment of the Physician (hakim) but due to certain pressing needs of the household, they had to go to Lakhimpur. The women cannot shake off attachment and so they have lesser rights in spirituality as compared to men. Master Sahab is now-a-days staying with his son at Bareilly and will stay for some more days. By the grace of God, Meera might have improved her health.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 120 Shahjahanpur
No. F-598/SRCM Dated : 27-11-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received both of your letters. I had been to Lucknow on 23rd November 61 via Sitapur and returned from there on 26th November 61. On the same day, I received a telegram which had come here on 24th November'61 sent by Dr. K.C.Varadachari. His daughter Padmini, who was recently married, expired on 23rd November night. May God bestow peace to her soul. I was very much shocked by this news. Please write a letter of condolence to him. I am replying to his letters. I will also reply Sarnad's letter which will be received one or two days after this letter.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 121 Shahjahanpur
No. F-602/SRCM Dated : 30-11-1961

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received both of your letters. I had been to Sitapur

for one night and then went to Lucknow next day to participate in the marriage ceremony of Prakash's Brother-in-law. Dr. Mahindra, who is our satsangi, is a good eye-specialist. I consulted him regarding the squint of Meera. He said that giving exercise to the eye first is essential. Otherwise operation will prove futile and the squint will develop once again. He also said that he would cure by means of medicines within a month or so. Eye exercise is of course necessary along with medical treatment. He has also performed several operations with success. You need not spend even a paisa there. Shri Suresh Chandra is there only, at Sitapur as a Professor in the College. You can stay with him for as long as needed. I have received a letter from Shri M.D. Jahagirdar. He seems to be a man of love. He has written, "Today, on 25th November 1961, pledging by your feet, I have dedicated my life at your service. This body and soul are yours from today onwards. You can use them as you will." He is to be transferred to Dharwar. There has been some confusion in writing the names of persons who were to arrive here. My memory, about which I was proud once upon a time, has been spoiled by the effect of chloroform and since then it has become very weak. I do not remember names at all. Thank God that I do not forget my name.

I had received a letter from Sarnadji. A copy of it together with my reply is sent to you, so that you can explain to him properly whenever he meets you. When I received his letter, the first thought that arose in my mind was that, it should not so happen that he may be inclined towards Sai Baba. I did not like his stay at Shri Vineet's house. There, he will not be able to do the work of the Mission with freedom. But when he could not get a house, there was no other go. It is better to leave that house when he gets a good house of his choice. It would be wise on the part to convert them again towards the Mission and place the teachings of the Mission and the aim of life etc., before them again and again.

Brother, from where shall I bring miracles. My attention has never been in that direction. Whenever you people wish something, some miracles would happen although my Master has said that I have the power to perform miracles, which I certainly believe, but I am not at all inclined towards that. Secondly, it is

always the teachings that can attract the people. Jesus Christ showed miracles throughout His life but He could hardly secure a dozen disciples and out of them one turned out to be so unfaithful that he maneuvered for his crucifixion. After His death His teachings have attracted the whole world. Another thing that helped him was that the Hindus considered it as sacrilegious in those days to cross sea.

One thing which I would like to say is that, by the Grace of Master whatever miracles I have been able to perform, nobody has performed. But those who are able to see can know it. And Brother, I will be compelled to do it in performing Nature's work. If Sai Baba's teachings are hindrance in Nature's work, rest assured that he will lose the power to perform miracles within three minutes. And this is so easy that you can also do it within a moment. I am also anxious to meet him. But I do not know how far Puttaparti is from the stations intervening in my way. Anyway it is all left to time.

The abhyasi Brothers have requested me that I must undertake the tour of South India. With a view to encouraging them, I have written to them that I will consider over this matter after the Basant Utsav. Dr. Kulkarni's opinion regarding Shri Dattaraj seems to be correct but by doing so if he takes real interest in the matter, then he will come to the (right) path.

In my opinion, it would be better to name the book (Kannada Translation of "Reality at Dawn") as "Satyodaya". When the title of a version of a book is attractive, the same can be used in different languages for translation. The translation of 'My Vision' as 'Bhavishya Vani' is good, and the purport also is the same. A satsangi has translated it as 'Antar Drishti', which does not give that good meaning. You can discuss with Sarnadji and adopt the term you think better. I consider Shri Sarnadji's translation better than that of Shri Vineetji. Please see both the translations.

Vineet Ramchandra Rao's permission does not seem to be necessary

because he has published the Kannada translation in his 'Pradeep' (magazine) with my permission, as Shri Sarnadji went on sending it, and whom I had permitted to translate. He, as the editor may be thanked for having gladly published the translation in his magazine. Anyway, you can discuss the matter between yourselves and decide; which will be discussed here also.

Your feeling regarding your condition is correct. Shri Walvekarji has asked about constant remembrance. I thought it is better to ask him to know it from you. To improve your eye sight you can take Arakmundi, which is available at Hyderabad, along with honey, it will be useful. If the essence of good quality, half a chatak (about 25 gram) with pure honey one tola (10 gram) would suffice for the morning dose. As this essence has a cooling effect, it is used in these parts during summer. It soothes the brain and heart also. Dr. Varadachari's letter is received just now. His daughter Padmini died of scorpion bite. His house is all sorrow stricken. None is able to endure. May God give them consolation. Really, this is a matter of great sorrow, which I have already intimated to you through a post card. With blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 122 Shahjahanpur
No. G-5/SRCM Dated : 04-01-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received all your letters. But I did not reply because I thought you might have had operation and might not be in a position to read, with result that you would grow restless to read it. Shri Dattaraj's health has deteriorated much and he has written that because of this he is worried much. I

too have written to him that my health is worse but I do not bother about it because you all are there to worry about my health. He had written to have surrendered himself, so I wrote like this. Perhaps he has not understood the sense. This sentence is pregnant with meaning. Shri Channabasappa has not arrived as yet. Probably he might have returned by now.

After consulting the doctor, I had written about the necessity of eye exercise and then operation. I do not know whether doctors there have told you about this or not. Meera Bai is too young, otherwise if she could do eye exercise it can be cured by that alone.

It was good that you explained Sarnadji and that it had some effect as is evident from his letter. He wants to write something on the State of Realisation and the system of Sahaj Marg to be published in some Kannada (news)paper. He has asked me to write in English. I know very little English. But this much is certain that my Master saves my honor. I had to accept his request and I have sent the article, a copy of which will be sent to you for your perusal. Keep it in your file after reading it. You may get some matter in it for your speech also. Please go through it critically and communicate your opinion. If you think fit, you can show it to others.

I am very happy that by the blessings of Master you entered the Second Ring on 1st January 1962 at 11.00 p.m. Your inner being was preparing to enter the Second Ring. Congratulations!

The Basant Panchami Utsav this time falls on 9th February 1962. Printed invitation cards will be sent later on. Perhaps, 100 cards would be sufficient for Ayalreddy. By the effect of your prayer, Chi. Chaya's marriage is settled but the date is not yet fixed.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 123 Shahjahanpur
No. G-18/SRCM Dated : 07-01-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life . This year Basant Panchami falls on 9th February 1962. It will be celebrated from 8th February, 06.30 a.m. to 10th February 07.30 a.m. Those who cannot join here may sit at your place at the fixed timings. I am sending 45 invitation cards by book-post. Issue them to the satsangis of Bellary and Hyderabad only. I have sent 100 cards to Ayalreddy who will arrange to send them to all other places. He will send to Sarnadji also and I will be sending to Jahagirdar. I am sending the invitation to Shri Vineetji. You can send one to Walvekarji, Ramkrishna Rao and your revered father and to whomsoever you think fit, whether he is a satsangi or not. There was intense cold here and the temperature had gone below the freezing point at Kanpur and Allahabad. Now that intensity is not there. But still it is sufficiently cold. Dr. K.C.Varadachari is going to Jaipur on 17th January 1962 and will be going over here for a day. I have written to him that he need not take the trouble to visit this place in such a cold if he does not think it is absolutely necessary.

Blessings to Children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 124 Shahjahanpur
No. G-28/SRCM Dated : 08-01-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Thank God that He granted my prayer. I was worried that you were not blessed male issues. May God give long life to the child, and may the mother and child be safe. Only Yesterday, I sent a letter and 25 invitation cards through book-post to Hyderabad and Bellary and some to be sent to Shri Walvekarji. You might have received them. Utsav will be celebrated from 8th to 10th February 1962. Shri Kumaraswamy is also coming. His wife is sick. Now she is gradually recovering. I have sent 100 cards to Ayalreddy asking him to send them to all the places in your branch. If you feel the necessity of any instructions you can send them. You might have also received a copy of the article and the letter sent to Sarnadji. Gulabi might have rejoiced on having a younger Brother. Give her sweets. Meera is still a child. May God bless
all. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 125 Shahjahanpur
No. G-95/SRCM Dated : 23-01-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter dated 15th January 1962. Chaya's marriage is fixed on 8th March 1962. All this period would be one of my busy engagements. Sometimes this marriage makes me nervous because the father of the bridegroom is a gentleman of English type, and wants the timings to be kept up and he should be respected with proper decorum and

decency. Although he is a respectable man I think he may feel homely when he comes here. Hence I hope from the God that this thing will not remain when he arrives at His door here. Please pray that the ceremony may pass off joyfully. If at all I feel any weakness in me, it is the pinch of not being highly educated. And So I take the opinion of my learned associates regarding my article, because others may not take a bad impression on reading them. With regard to the authenticity of the contents which I write, I never have any doubt. I do not have quotations and as such I cannot lengthen the articles. When you have appreciated, it must be really good. Another thing is that although the best article may come out of my pen, to my view it appears to be very ordinary and of a low standard because my eyes have now seen your writing and those of Dr. Varadachari, Babu Suraj Prasad, Babu Shivmohanlal, Sarnad and others. I am very lucky in having such persons in the Satsang. But Brother, thanks to Guru Maharaj that He has not kept me short of any experimental knowledge. This is all His praise only and regarding myself I feel I am a person knowing only alphabets before learned persons as mentioned above or you can say that I can only put my signature. Shri Sarnad might have liked the article. I had also sent an invitation to Shri Vineet Ramchandra Rao.

People here and in the South are very much afraid of the conjunction of the planets. If you ask any Muslim, he will say that whatever God wills, it happens. This is the difference between our faith and that of the Muslims. In fact we have degenerated a lot. The race which has lost faith and developed fear begins to degenerate.

What a mockery that Dattaraj has surrendered, and writes to save him from the evil effect of the planets. When I do not want to save myself how can I save others? The planets have not conjoined to the extent of panic that has spread in the people. I very much wish that all those planets have really conjoined and brought about a drastic operation. I shall write more about this whenever I feel inclined to. Here the so called Mahatmas are performing Havan and Yagnya to pacify the planets. I think that instead of pacifying them they are

bringing that evil effect on us. Because of this hundreds of barrels of ghee is being poured into the fire, which could have been of use to our children. This is nothing but fame-seeking attitude and in our parts any Mahatma who wants to rise first of all does nothing but Havan for 24 hours. This is because of lack of education. Due to this and selfish motives they are spoiling the economic condition of India instead of improving it. The public here is also such that it connives at such things readily begins to spread their fame. I have retained here the family of S.R. Mukarjee. His two children and his Brother-in-law are here only. The other two children will come here after Basant Panchami. The children do not know Bengali and as such the arrangement of their education shall have to be done somewhere here only. His Brother-in-law may get employment in Bus Service. His interview is also over.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

Shivmohanlal has written a letter informing that his eczema and colicky pain have aggravated. Due to hailstorm, the potato crop sown in 15 big has is completely destroyed. All the people have sustained loss in this. The brinjals and chillies have also withered away. And there is a heavy loss.

Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 126 Shahjahanpur
No. G-139/SRCM Dated : 02-03-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. Regarding the name of the child the opinion of the elderly persons at home is alright. Now, the days of marriage are drawing near as it is fixed on 8th March 1962. Shri Ishwar Sahai is looking to everything and is staying here only from the last 10 days or so. I am unable to do anything. But my mind is always working. Please pray that the whole affair may be joyfully over. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 127 Shahjahanpur
No. G-154/SRCM Dated : 21-03-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received both of your cheerful letters. Also received a parcel containing a sari and Rs.20/-. The amount which was sent has been taken into account for which it was intended.

As a result of your prayer , the marriage ceremony was gracefully over. May God bless the bride and the bridegroom for a happy life. Shri Ayalreddy and Gopal Rao were present during the marriage ceremony and helped a lot. Shri Rajagopalan, too, came from Delhi and participated.

The ideas of initiation were hovering in my mind when Gopal Rao came here, and so much so, that Gopal Rao did raise the problem of initiation. He was no doubt fit for initiation. But it was a very embarrassing situation for me to

initiate one and not the other. So I had to initiate both of them, per force. I ought to have taken your opinion regarding both these gentlemen especially regarding Ayalreddy, when everything about them is being done according to your opinion. But as there was no time, they were initiated on15th March. Ayalreddy's inner condition was not fit for initiation. But if there is faith everything will be alright. Ayalreddy donated Rs.700/-towards printing of books and Rs.150/-are still with him. Shri Ishwar Sahai's book, which is ready now, will be got printed out of these funds. The question of printing Reality at Dawn which is out of stock, will be considered afterwards and printing will be undertaken on the availability of funds.

Your revered father really loves me. I am thankful to him for remembering me. The Kannada version of Reality at Dawn may be given at a press which offers lowest cost. But the printing should be nice and proof reading should be done twice carefully. After ascertaining about the correctness of the matter, final printing may be done. Blocks may be got prepared there only. I do not like to include coloured photo of mine in the book. The required amount is ready with Shri Patel Sahab and will be made available at any time. You can write to Shri Ayalreddy, but so much amount as is needed should be taken from him.

Shri Sarnad's letter is just now received. I have not yet replied. He has developed grossness. Devote some of your time and clean it. Also keep on getting information about his condition. The contents of his letter are: "The onslaught of evil ideas is becoming too unbearable. My faith in spirituality itself is shaking, owing to the absence of abiding experience." By God's Grace the marriage of both the daughters is over, and I am free from worry. Now, I want to work more for the Mission with redoubled zeal. But laziness has not left me. Pray that I may become active. Shri Rajagopal of Salem desires to deliver lectures on Sahaj Marg philosophy at some places in South India. He has asked me to intimate you people. You also write to a few particular places. His address is as follows and you can write to him if you want to communicate anything.

Shri V. Rajagopal, M.A.

Karkhana Road, Salem Junction, Salem.

Blessings to children

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 128 Shahjahanpur
No. G-184/SRCM Dated : 11-04-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. Madhav Raoji belongs to me only, so where is the question of making him mine? It is clear from his letter that he is too emotional. Sending his letter you did a good thing. It is not bad to be emotional, but the control of the heart should not be lost. In his case it is necessary to bring the emotion to a balanced state. So, you should gradually remove those ideas and the upsurge, which is more than what is needed. I too, will do the same whenever I am reminded of him. He is a very good man, full of love.

You can get the block prepared from any photograph other than the coloured one. It is also my desire that the photo out of which block is prepared should not be one wearing garland. I received a letter from 'S' which had a reference to a verse in the Gita, which he says, in VII chapter, 11th verse, the Lord says that, "He is the sexual urge or passion unopposed to Dharma in beings." Kindly explain how passion can be made dharmic (or un-opposed to dharma). The commentators explain that, "sexual urge or passion or lust is dharmic, which finds satisfaction in one's wife and that too with the motive of begetting off-springs. Naturally, if this motive of begetting children is not there, the coitus

becomes a sinful act. I am ashamed to admit that I have committed this sin and that is pricking me very much."

I did not reply to the last sentence, but I wrote whatever I knew regarding the statement of Lord Shri Krishna in the Gita. I am sending a copy of it to be kept in your file. It may be useful sometime in the future. Dr. Varadachari has come to Jaipur. He may go over to this place for two days, i.e., 12th and 13th. You might have returned from your journey by now. I was thinking of going to Assam in May, it seems to be impossible now, because Shri Ramdasji, the chief man there, has gone to Buxar to set up a mill, and it does not take less than two or two-and-a half months. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 129 Shahjahanpur
No. G-218/SRCM Dated : 03-05-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your cheerful letter. Sidramappa is ready to bear the entire cost of printing the Kannada translation (of Reality at Dawn) as promised by him. Under such circumstances there is no harm in accepting it from him. There shall be an emblem on the title page. I have also written to Sarnadji about this. You keep with you, the amount of Rs.22/-, which is deposited as subscription for the magazine. The same will be taken when necessary.

Dr. Varadachari had been here for two days. Probably, he may come again after one month. He was invited on behalf of the government. Shri Bheemsen

Rao, Ramchandra Rao and Madhukar Rao have come here on 1st May and they will return on 6th May. This time they could not stay here for a long period because the marriage of Bheemsen Rao's son is fixed on 18th May. You did a good thing in touring some places. It served as an injection to the Satsangis too. Chaya will be going to her mother-in-law's house tomorrow. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 130 Shahjahanpur
No. G-234/SRCM Dated : 23-05-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I received an envelope dated 1st May 1962 and a post card dated 18th May 1962. Dr. K.C.Varadachari came here again on 20th May and will go back tomorrow. The block of Revered Lalaji Sahab's photo is with him. I have given him Sarnadji's address and he will send the block after he reaches Tirupati on 28th May. I have informed Sarnadji also about this.

I was sorry to hear the sad demise of the father of Ramkrishna Rao. May his soul rest in peace. The English translation of 'Anant Ki Ore' is completed but it is not yet printed, or else I would have sent it to you. It is a great pleasure that you are coming in August. I am intending to go to Assam in September in case it proves to be a convenient period for the tour, because from July to April it is a period of tea-cultivation there. All these people will be busy in tea trade.

The article you have sent in English for Sahaj Marg (magazine) is very good. I had explained to you at Bellary to a great extent regarding that matter. The

word ‘concentration’ has not been aptly used in the article; it should have been used at proper place so that people may understand it. I will correct it and send it to you. You can, then, recast it in your own words as you like. Shri Ishwar Sahai is here. Kasturi has come here to see Dr. Varadachari. Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 131 Shahjahanpur
No. G-291/SRCM Dated : 07-07-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I am in receipt of all your letters. Strange is the administration of this government that the hand of clerks could withhold your pay scale. I remember an incident in the British regime, when the Pension papers of some people (retired government servants) were held up for one year. The retired servants began to put applications after applications with the result that an Officer was appointed to enquire in the matter. As there were some cases of this type at Shahjahanpur also, the officer came to this place. Consequently, after one or two months their pension papers were received duly sanctioned. The clerks were probably warned. You should move this matter to your Department through your association. And if rules permit, you should also write to higher authorities. The matter may be expedited in this way.

Chi. Umesh has passed F.A. in 2nd division, this year. As he has opted for commerce and there being no provision for higher studies in commerce at Shahjahanpur, he has to go to some other place to study B.A. it is very difficult for me to send him and I am unable to send also. There is provision for B.Com. at

Lakhimpur, where I need not spend anything except for fees etc. But the results in commerce subjects always very poor there. This year, only one has passed in 3rd division out of 10 candidates. Umesh wants to go to Lucknow but it is very difficult. It is left to God's will. There is no other go except than to continue at Lakhimpur. It is quite a different matter that things may take some other turn by some unknown means. Let us see how far the rumors of your transfer are true. You made very good efforts (to spread the Mission) at Bellary. You delivered hundreds of speeches. But the results were not proportionate to your efforts. You may possibly be transferred to Bangalore, and I think Bangalore is better than Bellary. Your speeches may have a good effect there. No one at Bellary could be so prepared till now under whom I could have opened a centre of the Mission under his charge. I am glad that the Kannada version of Reality at Dawn is printed and published. I want five copies of the book to be sent to Dr. Varadachari and five copies be given free to Shri Patel who bore the cost of its printing. If he demands some more copies, we should not deny. Ten copies would be sufficient for me because somebody may write to me directly asking for the book, as it happened in case of the Tamil version. Sarnadji can keep for sale as many copies as he likes. Yourself and Sarnadji should send the book for review in newspapers so that people may know about it. It is heartening to note that you are coming in August. I am all the more glad that dear Madhav Raoji will also accompany you. Shri Gunde Raoji has written a letter informing that he too will be coming here during Janmashtami. Dear Chaya is in her father-in-law's house. She is also quite likely to come by the time you arrive here. Shri Ishwar Sahai's book, which you have already seen, is now completely ready. It will be sent for printing very soon.

When I peep inside (myself), I find the state of multiplicity becoming zero, and when I turn to look outside, I find the same inner effect blossomed outside. When I am excited, I see God pervading in all things and everywhere. But Brother, when I see to the left and right, all this creation with its full glamour and activities comes into view. Sometimes, I ponder over the questions. What is the reason for this downfall? Which colour that is mixed with this colour responsible for this glamour? What creates excitement in human minds? Why do our eyes

turn hither and thither and make channels and ruts? What is all this and who is responsible for this? Who created such environment? God or individual himself? Who went on putting coverings on it? The answer I get is: Originally God created us with freedom in our nature so that we remain free from all matters and move our self towards our real freedom. But the events of time turned the course in all together a different way. Our mind drifted from the original freedom and ran towards the senses. The nourishment we got was also such that our march continued in that direction only. Those who were inclined towards senses got merged in them. Even if they got out of it, they created only those things which encouraged/gratified their senses and they could not rise above those things. They came across such men, who told them such things, which they liked too, because of their support to the centre, they had created for themselves. How did it happen? It was due to the contact with those people who took pleasure in the senses but pretended to see above (towards the sky). They are our Mahatmas. You and I wish that people should abandon the centre they have created. But they can be ready to do so only when the centre they have formed is also found in the Divine centre. Words may seem to be very harsh, but I am obliged to write that the reins of the sheep are in the hands of the wolf; and the whole city of Sheeraz spread (the whole system got disturbed). Now, Brother, think of the type of gentlemen that are generally responsible for almost everything in the midst and among whom we consider some as Gurus.

Their types can be as follows :
Guru Sifli (Guru of the lowest type)
Guru Kitabi (Guru of books and knowledge)
Guru Azli (Born Guru)
Guru Fazli (Guru of the higher type)
Guru Azli Fazli (A born Guru of the highest type)

Sifli Gurus (of the lowest type) are those who tell us to worship ghosts and apparitions and who know some charms.

Kitabi Gurus (Bookish Gurus) are those who merely speak on the authority of books and tell others to practise.

They are not concerned with the purpose of the practices and conditions under which circumstances they prove to be beneficial.

Azli Gurus (Born Gurus) are those who go on telling practices so that men may attain perfection in certain field, provided they are not caught up in the whirl and if per chance they are entangled, it is beyond the power of such Gurus to pull them out. I have used the word 'Azli' for those who are certainly in touch of ultimate or a bit at least.

Fazli Gurus of the higher type are those who always enjoy the Grace and kindness of God and who are capable of utilizing that Grace for reforming others at any time required.

There is still another type called Azli Fazli Guru and such a one is very difficult to find. This Guru of the highest type has reached the supreme Original condition and is always attached to the Origin. Therefore, Brother, it is such Guru we have to search and if such a one is not available, we should pull on with Fazli Guru.

There is room for every kind of suspicion in Kitabi Guru (Bookish Guru). It is quite possible that his conduct may not be right. There is no possibility of this in Fazli and Azli Fazli Gurus. People who have no mind to believe, will never believe this even if you go on repeating this. In the words of Kabir :

"Sub ghar andha, kise samajhaun."

"Whom can I convince when the entire family is blind?"

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 132 Shahjahanpur
No. G-326/SRCM Dated : 30-07-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. I am very glad that some satsangis are coming with you. They have written to me individually also. I have received ten copies of the Kannada book. It is better to get it reviewed in as many newspapers as possible. Satpad, who was at Lucknow, is transferred to Pathankot. He has written that he would be coming during Janmashtami. You can inform the time of your arrival at Lucknow to Shri Nasib Chand whose address is as below:

Quarter No. II-15-F,

Barah Railway Colony, Lucknow.

The satsangis there will come and meet you. They will try to arrange for your rest as you will have been tired of the journey. I am also going to Lucknow on the 4th (August) and will return within 4 or 5 days via Allahabad. I am often troubling you regarding one thing. Last year, you had sent a 'guntapongalu pot' of stone and another pot in which there were flower like mould. I presented them to my elder daughter. Now I want to give the same things to my younger daughter also. If you can get them easily, please bring them. I could have brought with me alone but my luggage itself will be too heavy.

I remember an idea while dictating this letter. I have become so lazy now-

a-days that 'I feel pleasure in gulping the food without proper mastication'. For example, if I have to go somewhere, weakness and laziness pounce upon me in such a way that I go on postponing the journey to the extent of its cancellation. A certain gentleman has been pressing me to go to Allahabad because some people there want to start the abhyas. But my weakness does not permit me to go. I have determined to start on 4th. Now there is neither weakness nor laziness nor any other obstacle. I have written this to illustrate that one should form a will to surrender to God in such a way that one actually starts moving towards God.

In my last letter I wrote about the types of Gurus. There could have been some more types; but I did not write all of them because they would be just like the divisions of consciousness made by Shri Aurobindo. And it is probable that prefixing the 'con' of consciousness, a new word like 'concave' may also be coined. I wrote about Azli Guru (Born Guru). There remained certain thing to be written. It was that though such types of Gurus have the Original Condition free from, any rise and fall, he does not have the capacity to foment others from his inner condition. But Fazli Guru can do this. He can transmit the Grace of God into an abhyasi. There are two divisions in this – one is independent and the other is dependent. Whenever the Grace flows involuntarily unto him, the dependent Fazli Guru transmits his share into others. He cannot do so prior to that. One who is independent can draw the Grace whenever required and transmit it to others. In our Sahaj Marg each and every abhyasi is a conscious transmitter, the system of training itself being such. And what to say about Azli Fazli? He can do whatever he desires, within a wink. Such saints are rarely seen. Now, I will let you know the types of disciples also:

Matlabi (selfish)
Fasli (seasonal)
Ahli (deserving)
Murid (devotee)
Murad (beloved)

Matlabi (Selfish) disciples are those who want to gain their ends. Suppose a person come to know that Shri Raghavendra Rao is a Mahatma and a devotee of God, he will immediately rush to you to join with the idea that he would get material benefit by your contact. Such persons who are concerned with worldly matters, do not do any work. They join the Satsang to achieve their selfish ends. They get their things done by means of flattery. After that they will creep away. If their work is not done, then also they turn their back. They have nothing to do with the abhyas and attachment.

Fasli (seasonal) types are those who sit for meditation occasionally, if they are in cheerful mood due to the pleasant atmosphere. They have no attachment whatsoever at heart.

Ahli (Deserving) are those in whom there are sanskars of higher type of worship and who want to worship and want to continue it. Some among them make progress and reach the condition of the devotee. Some, however, are such that they start from the very beginning with the condition of Murid (devotee), and a Murid is one who loves his Guru intensely. He always keeps himself internally connected with his Guru. Men of this type possess all those qualities that should be present in a disciple. From among these devotees rarely one or half acquire the condition of Murad. A "Murad" is one who has become the object of love of his Guru. In other words, the Guru's attention is always centred around him. He can also be called a beloved (or a wanted person) and such people are very rarely found. In these days 'Murid' are seldom found and likewise Gurus also are rare. Revered Lalaji had written to me in one of His letters that in these days as many Murid are seldom seen, and Murad very rarely.

I have written to you a few types of Gurus and disciples and elucidated them all. They might be useful to you for explaining to the people and for the purposes of lectures and so on. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 133 Shahjahanpur
No. G-341/SRCM Dated : 01-08-1962

My Raghavendra Rao,

God give you long life. You might have received my cover. I am now waiting for the arrival of you all. Shri Shivamohanlal is sick for a long time. His knee cap is filled with water which was once removed. The plaster is always there and he is lying on a cot. If you happen to go to Hyderabad, please see him if you get time. Another thing is that on finding time bring 20 or 25 packets of Charminar cigarettes. It is generally available here with difficulty. The fast of Janmastami is on 21st of August. Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 134 Lucknow
Dated : 24-10-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received all your letters and I will surely answer those points which need reply.

I returned from Assam on 28th of September and I had to come to Lucknow on the 5th October for getting my denture prepared. I have been here

since then. I have hope to be relieved on 29th October. After 10 days the dentist has asked me to go to him every 4th day which is not possible for me. As such I could not prepare the tour program of South India. The work of Potato sowing is still remaining and it is getting late. I shall prepare the tour program after reaching home and finishing the account of potato sowing. I hope to be able to start from Delhi on 16th or 17th November. The Satsangis are pressing me to visit Bijapur from your place. I will try that I may be able to go there. But you should write to me whether my visit to Bijapur is necessary. Some sort of love and attachment is there, hence I take up so long a journey. Moreover, my physical weakness is such that I am unable to travel.

Blessings to children.
Your approach is on the second ring.
With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 135 Shahjahanpur
No. G-556/SRCM Dated : 12-12-1962

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received all your letters and first of all I will reply your last letter, which is necessary. You may try in whatever manner possible for the fixation of your pay scale. Really speaking Sahaj Marg will not be a bar to this. You are permitted to do all that is necessary in this matter. I maintain my desire to touring south India. I hope I may be able to come by February or March. So, those who want to visit this place, thinking that I may not be able to go over there, need not come. Of course, they are always welcome here and this humble

cottage is there ready to greet them. But these are hard days. Why should they spend so much money on travel and face difficulties when they are going to meet me shortly? The dates of (hearing of) cases may come up during January. I was all along afraid that it may come during the Utsava. God is there to look after.

I am happy that Sarnadji also had decided to serve the Mission. Glad to know that Lakshmi Narasimham came to you and promised to do the Abhyas (Puja). Truly speaking 'P' is not fit to be taken in the Satsang. He is filled with maximum grossness and his thoughts are also not pure. This I came to know after meeting him. And he has written to me in harsh words some such thing that unless the matter is discussed with me he has nothing to do with Puja. Dear Brother, a quote :

"Dozak Mujhe manzoor hai-e-Munkar Nakir Lekin Nahi

Damag Sawal aur Jawabka"

"I am prepared to go to Hell, O Munkar Nakir (Agnostic)

but I have no brain for question-answer."

Munkar Nakir : Two angels who interrogate the dead in the grave.

We have stopped sending him Sahaj Marg Magazine. I do not remember why it was stopped. He has also not reminded in this regard and probably he has not remitted the subscriptions. So it may not be possible for me to visit Bangalore this time. It is better if he tries not to meet me, and I wish the same. I also know that he was in search of a Guru after he met me. Perhaps no other fool like me was available to him.

It is a good thing that Sri Ayalreddy wants to read the character of others.

Power is already there, but he does not seem to use it or he does not know how to use it. He should see inside, then think (for a while). After some practice his mind will guide him. I too, can find out with much difficulty the character of others and even if I find out, it is after a long time- that too accidentally, for neither I practised it nor did I even think of it. This, of course, was present in my revered Master. Every man was an open book before him, at a glance. Experience will show that some grossness is like the layer of stone, which can easily be known, which means that it is difficult to destroy it. And why should one labour so much on these persons, even if you take up such cases they are bound to leave you. However if the fire of Bhakti is somehow kindled and which accidentally stirred up, then everything is possible. I will try that I may go to Bijapur, I am not so bold because of my ill health, and when I start I will not be lacking in courage. Do you know the reason why all this ? because of my laziness I am habituated to think that I am weak. This is the effect of the weak thought. May God save you all from this thought.

Have you any improvement in your eye sight from the massaging which I had told you? if there is no improvement it is better to leave it off. There seems to be little truth in what Thyagarajan has written to you in a letter about his experience. It is nothing but his imagination that too with an impression that he is highly advanced. He has not even maintained his former condition. I do not think that Moses was born in Trichinapally. It is quite likely that he might have stopped in Trichinapally per force due to his not getting any other place.

Sri R. Sheshadri's father expired. After finishing the obsequial (funeral rites) ceremonies he came here with his wife and stayed for ten days. He got his wife also initiated through me. Poor lady caught ill on account of the cold here. But she was quite alright when they returned. I have to make divisions, like Sri. Aurobindo to explain will and desire, I am showing the divisions in English: (1). Animal Plane, (2) Mental Plane (3) Spiritual Plane. These are the kinds of desires. Desires are good as well as bad. Bad desires are connected with passions, sex Etc. Greed Etc. also can be included in this type only. Desires in the mental plane include self-aggrandizement, self-progress, self-ability etc. When these things are

carried on to the spiritual plane, one is reminded of the duty, is worried of getting out of the bondage, the tendency is diverted towards God-Realisation. It is the same tendency which was once connected with the animal plane. But as duty is included in it, it would be wrong to call it desire. Will is connected with the mental plane because you begin to act mentally, thinking of goal in view, and this continues till the end. It gets new life in every region. It will be free from doubts to the extent it is pure. It begins to act quickly. That is, its potency goes on increasing. Now, its actions are effective in any of the worldly spheres called Mahamaya. Afterwards it is turned into purely original form, a jewel indeed. Reaching this level, it becomes very easy for a man to transport anyone from one spiritual plane to the other within no time. And when a man becomes a "Brahmanistha" deeply immersed in Brahman his will becomes unfailing. But, Brother, this spark of will which is developed to such an extent helps only in Godly works. If a man (you might have read in "Anant Ki Ore") makes the basis of doubt extinct, then the will becomes supremely potent. Western philosophy is based on doubt only, and in Eastern philosophy there is no entry to it. To harbor doubt is to give room for a thief in the house. Brother, all these things will really be known from practice (Abhyas) automatically. The method must be correct and the guide an adept. One should remove grossness and go on dwelling in subtler conditions.

I will be going to Lucknow tomorrow on the 13th December. The dental set which I got prepared is troubling a little and the Doctor has asked me to stay there for 3 or 4 days to set it right. Then I will go to Allahabad for 2 or 3 days. Apart from my court case there, three Satsangis are increased, for whose sake I am going there at present. The son and daughter of Prakash were suffering from chicken-pox. The boy is completely recovered now. The girl is not yet recovered fully. She may be alright by tomorrow or the day after.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Dear Brother, Salutations. I am sending a copy of the model annual accounting form. The monthly accounts of 1962 may be furnished in this form and sent to me immediately after the year is completed. Basant Panchami is from 30th January morning 6.30 to 31 January 7.30 a.m. Home (ritual offering) will be performed on 30th January at 9.00 a.m. Like this it will be written in the invitation letters. It will take much time to prepare the Mission's account. And some information will remain to be enquired from some places. It takes more time in letter correspondence. Hence it will facilitate us if the annual accounts copies are received at an early date.

With blessings, Ishwar Sahai

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OM TAT SAT

Shahjahanpur

Serial No. 136 Dated : 27-02-1963
No. H-127/SRCM

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received all your letters. I was rather late in replying. I was also sick for considerably a long time, and some works engaged me so much that all the letters were kept pending. I had written a letter No.H.10 dated 03-01-1963, which you might have received. Probably I forgot to write 'Mysore State' or 'South India' below Bellary. I had written about samskars in that letter and that you have undergone the Bhoga of all your Samskars. Now they seem to be two chords at the seat of Atman, in which there is tension of others' 'karma' so that this body may sustain, secondly, the research on will powers was quite original and appealing, and I had dealt philosophically on thoughts. Now I

do not remember all that. It contained 14 to 16 pages. You enquire with the Post Master there. Perhaps it may be traced in the dead letter office or so. It is not re-directed to me either. I had decided to come during February or March. But now I cannot come between that period as you can wait for my arrival after 15th May. As you desire to meet me at Vijayawada, I will inform you after the date is fixed, so that some speeches can also be arranged. Sri Madhav Rao's health may be alright now a days. Please write.

Blessings to children,

With blessings Ram Chandra

P.S. : The points on which Sarnadji wants clarifications may be communicated once again, as that letter has been misplaced.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 137 Shahjahanpur
No. H-197/SRCM Dated : 21-05-1963

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I have not replied letters for months together this time. To a certain extent my physical weakness, some household difficulties and idleness were reasons for this.

I had to go to the High Court many a times and the result was also good. The case was decided as I wanted it to be decided once for all and the worry is over.

Once you had prayed for profits in the Potato crop that year the crop was very good. Again there has been loss for the last two years, and this year the loss is more. Prakash has installed a pump set on the other side where there is more of cultivable land. The pump set is working for the last 15 days and this is about household matters. So I am writing about my condition. For the last four months or so, I am suffering from dysentery or diarrhea one after the other, once in seven or eight days. During that period I used to take medicines to pass the time. I am under regular treatment. Now, I am taking medicines only when those difficulties occur, I have to keep those medicines during my tour of South India. People have no faith in God and I have no faith in my health. Having no faith in one's health is the sign of weakness and having no faith in God is the sign of spiritual suicide. People say that the crops now a day only are not good which means that God has now become old and so he does not remember some of the works. But the people do not understand what havoc they have created in His work with the power given by Him. Actions are proportionately continued. Now, our actions went against the Nature and created a mess in the environment, thereby our own throat is being cut. These things require now to be cleaned which is being done to a certain extent, and will be continued. For all this something has to be done by you people only, and knowingly or unknowingly every saint does something. I have courage and by Master's Grace there is no lacking and that too it will not require another second to do it. I have written all these things so that you people may also develop courage in you. But I do not do this because those who will misuse their powers have created all this mess and they may reap the fruits of their actions. Because nature also wants the same thing. Destruction is bound to come and it has started also and those people are the cause for this.

Dr. Vardachari has written in his letter of 3rd March "you have not shown any inkling of the future in your letters to me or others. Aurobindoeans are saying that there would be great changes this year, or in 1967. God alone knows what will happen. Whatever Aurobindoeans are saying, they are saying on the basis of the present circumstances. None of them has the capacity to read nature and

foretell things. Hence, I do not believe either their 1963 forecast or that of 1967. The mother is indeed a good lady but her view also lies on the outer layer and she calls the super conscious state to the outer layer to foretell things. Therefore the things that are likely to happen in the immediate future can be known. But the rule is that one has to go to that depth to discover the events of distant future and one has to acquire and maintain his level equal to that of the Nature at that point of time. Now the vibrations of the nature are very mild. The reason is that power is being imparted in the future events and dim-vibrations are most powerful.

I have no attraction whatsoever towards Bijapur. Still I have taken care to include it in my program. My attraction towards Gadag is so intense that I am being compelled to go there. But my ill health has made me so helpless that it overpowered that attraction. I wrote to Mr. Jhagirdar that if he permits, I will drop Gadag from the program. I am glad that he agreed. You can inform that he may meet me at any station he likes. Due to my ill health I have also reduced the period of my stay. I have sent the program to Ayalreddy and Sarnad. I have also informed Madhava Rao the date of my arrival and period of stay. I have written a letter to Vijayawada and a copy of the program also is being sent. I shall inform the dates of my tour through letters as and when I write to them. The English translation of the prologue to German version of the Reality at Dawn is being sent to you for your perusal.

Blessings to children.

Yours, Ram Chandra.

P. S. : You have sent a fitting reply to Sarnad. Every preceptor can act according to it provided that he does not take up this work rashly, watching the reaction that it does not exceed abhyasis capacity. Remember and remind me all these things when I come there so that I may explain their methods and where is its necessity etc.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 138 Shahjahanpur
No. H-231/SRCM Dated : 28-05-1963

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I have received both of your letters today, Just now, and came to know that you have been transferred to Hassan. The program, as you have written would be of Bellary only, and I will reach Bellary along with Sri Ishwar Sahai as per schedule. I want your speech to be arranged at Vijayawada. So I had written to Sri Kumaraswamy also to contact you directly regarding your speech, if he can arrange for a public meeting. Probably he might have written to you. I wanted that you should not remain at Bellary any longer because your ability could not be recognized by the Satsangis there.

I had dropped at Hassan in 1945 and from there I went to Belur to see the temple.

Sri Ishwar Sahai's book which was in press at Madras is almost printed. I have written to Dr. Vardachari not to send the books here in my absence, but to wait till my arrival there. I will bring with me Dr. Vardachari's speech delivered at Gulbarga; a copy of which is sent to me by him.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 139 Shahjahanpur
No. H-312/SRCM Dated : 23-07-1963

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I arrived here safely on 21st July. We stayed at Lucknow one day more because I had to get Sri Ishwar Sahai's and Chi. Umesh's eyes examined by an eye specialist who is also a Satsangi. He reported that Master Saheb is developing cataract in one eye. Chi. Umesh who is studying B.Com., at Lucknow is losing sight of his right eye, said the Doctor. On reaching here it was known that Chi. Sarvesh received fracture in his left hand from a fall and the same has been put under plaster. You need not worry, when I left Bellary I began to have motions after Guntakal. Then I took medicine in curds which was available in one of the stations and the motions stopped. I became quite alright at Tirupati from Dr. Kuppuswami's medicine. The number of Satsangis is increased by halting at Orai. So is the case in South India also. Another centre has been opened at Madras, under Sri R. Veera Raghavan who is the Brother-in-law of Sri Sheshadri. Dr. Vardachari delivered a speech at Arogya Ashram. I was thinking that it must be a big Ashram, but there were only six or seven persons and our Satsangis alone were about 25. Dr. Vardachari speech was not complete when it was stopped by Sri Venkateshwaran, the Mahant there, on the ground that others were also due to speak. Dr's speech was on Sahaj Marg. I will send you a copy after receiving it. Ganeshan met me at Trichinapally and he came to me many times just by way of pleasing me. I did not allow him in the Satsang nor am I prepared to admit him now.

I had sent a letter through a Satsangi who has been transferred to Hassan. I

could hear a lecture of Swamy Chinmayanada on Gita for half an hour at Trichinapalli. On seeing him I could know that there is any spiritual or hypnotic power in him. But I appreciate him because he has inclination towards the reformation of people.

Whatever you come to know about your spiritual progress, you may write to me. I shall reply after some days. Your condition is worthy of congrulations. You may be doing whatever I had told you about Meera's hand and foot. Please inform what benefit she has. Please write to Shri Ramakrishna Rao to give more attention for the practice of meditation as he has developed more grossness for not doing puja. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S : Janmashtami fast will be observed on 12-08-1963

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 140 Shahjahanpur
No. H-454/SRCM Dated : 30-09-1963

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. It is indeed sorrowful that Sri R. Krishnamchari the elder Brother of Sri Sheshadri, passed away at Madras on 29th September 1963. May God bestow peace to his soul. Please write a letter of condolence to Sri R. Sheshadri. Probably, he might be at Madras only. His address is:

15, Almel Mangapuram, Mylapore, Madras.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 141 Shahjahanpur
No. H-497/SRCM Dated : 10-10-1963

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Very glad to know about the birth of the child. May God bless him with long life. May the mother and child live happily. I have received all your letters and I am replying them. Regarding the Rubber stamp you can get it prepared. You can get written either Mysore or South India after the word Hassan. By the grace of God the cataract in Master Saheb's eye is being cured with the help of medicine only.

Regarding Umesh's eye it was a miracle indeed. His vision was completely alright within a week on consulting an expert doctor of a medical college. It is revealed that there is nothing wrong with his sight but it was only due to weakness. By God's grace, it will also be cured. But your prayer is required.

You have written that Meera's hand and leg are benefited a lot by the method I had prescribed. You can continue it till she is completely cured.

I have also received a letter from Sarnad. I had given you my findings about him in Bidar. Thorough cleaning is quite essential. I have also started to work little bit, and he is being benefited to certain extent. Please work on him. Regarding the restlessness of Ramakrishna Rao you keep on doing cleaning and transmit peace. Regarding the complaints of Narasappa please write to him that he should begin the meditation on point 'A' thinking that all men are Brothers and all

women are sisters etc. You know that method. If you happen to go to Bangalore do see Mr. Doreswami. He is a man full of love. There are 4 or 5 Satsangis also at Bangalore. When I visit Hassan next I will try to stay at least for one day with Mr. Doreswami. A word remains to be written about Sarnad. He had expressed his worry about China's aggression. I remember a proverb in this regard.

"Kaziji kyon duble, shahar ke andeshese"

"Kaziji why are you becoming so weak, by worrying about the town"

Instead of that it would have been better had he worried about himself about the attack of evil tendencies, and the means to protect from them. Your revered father requires peace and especially in old age all need it. But you should not say that I am also old and hence I too require it. It would be wrong in the sense that I have never been young to grow old. Sri Ramchandra Mission will spread no doubt and especially there where you are now working. Try to retain strong will and carry on the efforts.

I was very glad to know about the fixation of your pay scale. Whatever amount you get by way of arrears you should earmark the same for the marriage of your daughters and be economical in future.

Last time the magazine was full of errors due to my absence from Head quarters. Your article has been printed again. I am sending a railway receipt. The details of the books sent are as under :

Sahaj Marg Magazine	5 copies
Efficacy of Raja Yoga	10 copies
Ten Commandments	10 copies

Peep into Sahaj Marg 10 copies

I am in receipt of Polytechnic magazine. Regarding the blessings you want from me in connection with the translation of my letters you are doing, it is alright. I tell you one thing; anything done with self trust, correctness follows in all matters. If it happens that one has full confidence in self and he has no idea to what this word “self” refers to, then whatever he says and writes, it will be right always. As far as you are concerned the self is extinct.

I have read the sentence of Sri S.N. Chabbi. Let him do whatever he is doing now. He will certainly derive some benefit out of it. Dr. Vardachari has once suggested that it would be very helpful if each and every member of the Mission sends his passport size photograph to the Head Office. I am not much in favour of this idea. Probably I know Mr. S.N. Chabbi it would be better if he sends his photo. Moreover you can prepare him for the Mission work if you like. But the difficulty is that when a person working in transferable post is made a preceptor, I will have difficulty to find out another person on his transfer.

Please let me know the name and address of the person whom you have made an organizer of the Mission at Bellary. I have also written to Sri Narayana Rao as to whom he has made an organizer at Raïchur with your consultation. He has gone to Raïchur and he will inform me after his return. Regarding Dr. Kulkarni, he has written that doctor is not taking any interest in the Mission work and it is also correct to say that he has spiritually benefited and if he is benefited by Sai Baba so far so good. Sai Baba has now lost the caliber which he possessed earlier. He was formerly a non-entity in the spiritual field and even now he remains so. Miracles are also bidding farewell. We have no concern with Sai Baba. Let him do what he likes. But when his actions are proving harmful to people and if he does not desist from his evil activities it will be a matter of concern for me. It is likely that he may take up preaching when the miracles bid farewell after sometime. I am leaving on the evening of 21st October. I have sent the amount to Nasib

Chand for reservation. Shri Ishwar Sahai, Kashiram and Haradath Singh will accompany me.

I have now to congratulate you on your stepping in the 4th ring of the central region on 13th September at 04.58 P.M. Now you do not need any meditation or any type of Pooja. I have prescribed meditation for one hour in the morning and half an hour in the evening. In this way I have saved 1 1/2 hours of your time. So you can devote this time for spiritual upliftment of others to the extent your brain permits. Atleast once a week you should transmit to all the members of your centre. This does not mean that you should take them individually. You can take them collectively and among them to whomsoever it is necessary to transmit individually you may do so.

When I had been to Madras Dr. K.C. Vardachari had given me the research of some points in the heart. I made research then and there only and explained to him. But the research of one point connected with the centre could not be opened at that time. Now it is more than a month and I have sent my complete research which is quite correct. I am sending a copy of that. Try to understand it and keep it in the file. Kasturi has come here to see me and is returning tomorrow. She has conveyed her Pranams to you.

We have got some Pamphlets printed for Assam. It is nothing but the translation of the “outlines of the Sahaj Marg” with certain additions at the end. They will be available within 2 or 3 days. I will send a copy to you, Sarnad and Ayalreddy. See the Pamphlets and give your opinion as to whether it is advisable to get it translated into Kannada.

Blessings to children.
With blessings, Ram Chandra

P. S. : It is seen that people do not get benefit from the prescribed evening practice of cleaning. The reason is that they do it in a faulty way. Inform all the

persons conducting Satsang under your centre and explain orally to whom so ever you meet. In fact people first begin to meditate on grossness and then think that it is going from back side in the form of smoke. Really speaking they ought to throw it out by thought suggestion to form smoke in the backside.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 142 Shahjahanpur
No. H-517/SRCM Dated : 18-10-1963

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I have posted a cover already in which there was a Railway receipt pertaining to parcel of books. You might have received it. I had enclosed the program also in it.

I had received a letter from Shri B.L.K. Murthy from Bidar. In that he had suggested that Shri Godbole should be made a trainer. I cannot take any step in this regard without your opinion. Shri Ayalreddy is working quite satisfactorily and as such I do not feel that there is any need for another trainer. I prepare trainers from the power of my Master within a few days according to my need. Now I do not feel necessary. If Sri Godbole wants to serve others let him prepare himself for the task.

Sri B. L. K. Murthy's idea is very good. I commend him probably you know Sri Godbole. Let him begin the service of the Mission in a way that is possible for him so that I can also have an inkling regarding his abilities. The correspondence in this regard is being forwarded to preserve in your record. It will help you to think about this in future and know the condition. I am going to Assam on the

21st October. I have already sent you the program. I have grown very weak now a days. But keeping faith in God, I have at last decided to go. Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P.S. : How do you like the name of P. Ramaprasada Rao for you child ? But it is a North Indian name. May God bless him with long and happy life.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 143 Shahjahanpur
No. H-547/SRCM Dated : 21-11-1963

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I was very sorry to hear about the death of the child. It was God's wish and there was no other go. Hence, I had to console myself. May God give peace to his soul and strength for you to endure this grief. It is possible for me to do this much that I could have called the soul and sent it in the same form once again as I have done in case of Mudaliar's grand daughter. The same soul was sent to take birth in their house, because it was the first child to Mudaliar's daughter. Their family was at Kanpur at that time and they approached me with a request that I should give them a child in the same form. I told him that it was not possible for me and Shri Krishna alone could do it as he had brought his Guru's son who was drowned in the sea. However, I could make the same soul to be born once again. It happened so. The present girl whose name is Chakkubai possess the same soul and the form is also the same. I transmitted many times to the child after receiving your letter and as such many things which were necessary for keeping the body were removed. Afterwards the

above mentioned thought occurred to me. When I asked him he expressed his unwillingness to come. There were the things that came as obstruction in bringing him again. To create again the thing once removed, is not good. May God mitigate the sorrow of your wife and may she give birth to a better child. Amen.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 144 Shahjahanpur
No. H-629/SRCM Dated : 17-12-1963

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I have received your letter. The idea of child and the sorrow of its death have not disappeared from my heart. So I could not write to you the events at Assam and Calcutta. I intended to write many useful things to you but I forgot all of them. I want that the sorrow which has occupied my heart due to the memory of the child should go. But it is possible when it vanishes from all of your hearts.

Basant Panchami Utsava will be celebrated from 18th January to 20th January 1964. You can write to a particular Satsangi of Raïchur to distribute the invitation letters to all. I have also written to Shri Narayana Rao. Also inform some particular Satsangi at Bellary to distribute the invitation letters. I do not know whom you have appointed as Organiser at Raïchur and Bellary. So, I cannot write to them. I will be glad if Brother Madhava Rao also accompanies you.

Blessings to children. With blessings.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 145 Shahjahanpur
No. I-25/SRCM Dated : 09-01-1964

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I will be returning from this place on 11th January. Shri Veera Raghavan is a preceptor here. His work is good. Dr.Varadachari has also come here and will stay till 11th. Today one speech by him is also arranged. Here a few *satsangis* have increased at every place and at Thiruvannamalai the total number has gone up to approximately 60. Trichinapalli is quite silent. Attention has to be given to that side also. By God's Grace all the children might be doing well. Let me know whether Karigowda and other *satsangis* are coming to you or not. Try to meet them if you get an opportunity.

Blessings to children

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 146 Shahjahanpur
No. I-367/SRCM Dated : 06-08-1964

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I was regularly receiving your letters, but I could not reply to any of them. It is now evident from your letter that I must reply to your letter so that you may not grow anxious. First, I write my story.

About more than four months ago, I had been to Sitapur. There, the girdle pain developed so much that it was pretty difficult to sit and to get up. After 4 or 5 days it subsided a little. But the pain in the left leg and ankle was so severe that I could not walk much, and even when I walked I could not put the step firmly. I was limping to some extent. Doctor gave me Berin tablets, but there was no improvement. I then began treatment under a Hakeem. His medicine gave some relief. Then I received a letter from Sri M.L. Chaturvedi of Delhi that he retired from service on the 7th of July and he may leave Delhi by the end of that month. He had written a letter inviting me to come there which I could not refuse. I went there and stayed for 4 days and returned on 23rd of July. I came to know after my return that both the bones of Sarvesh's left wrist are fractured, which could not be set here. So Ishwar Sahai and myself went to Banaras along with Sarvesh on 24th July. A relative of mine who is a specialist in Orthopedics in a Hospital at Banaras set the bone. On my return journey, one incident happened. A certain gentleman took my hand bag and got down when I had gone for recess. The hand bag, among other things contained my spectacles, denture, some sweets and Rs.2/-. We stayed for 4 days at Banaras. During this period the stomach ache became intense, which persists till now. No medicine had given any relief till now. Now I may get some relief.

Chi. Umesh passed B. Com, and has decided to study Chartered Accountancy at Delhi which is a course for four years. With utmost reluctance I had to send him to his sister Chaya at Delhi. Much effort was to be made for some weeks to get him admitted to the course. A certain gentleman had

promised to help. Probably he might have acted upon it by now. Sarvesh has taken admission in the Inter College here after passing the High School Examination. In short I have to face so many helpless conditions that God alone should take care of them. I have told the entire story. Now I proceeded further.

The fast of Janmashtami falls on 30th of August as you have written. I want the fast to be observed in such a manner that some milk or fruits or boiled rice with sugar be taken in the evening. I am very glad to know that your wife and children are also anxious to go over here. I had told you that I would get your children here when your pay will be Rs.600/. I am very glad to know that Brother Madhava Rao had a male child. May God give him long life. My intention of touring South India is in the 3rd week of November. As there are no Satsangi at your place I will have ample rest. But I write a plan for increasing number of Satsangis. Arrange a meeting and invite some people well known to and your staff members and apprise them about Sahaj Marg. After that give some people pamphlets and books to read. Afterwards when you get some friends or helpful person, and if any type of platform is available, there can be a public speech also. As in Vijayawada a certain PTI had published the date of my arrival. The same can be done here. You will have many such ideas If you think a little in that direction.

One Sri Anjayya from Bidar stayed here for three days and went back. Prior to this, in the month of May and June, many Satsangis had been here among whom were Sri Ramachandra Rao, Bhimsen Rao (Bhutpur) and Ramchandra Pujar. The problem of initiation cropped up, Ramchandra Pujar is alright; but I could not initiate Bhimsen Rao as said at Bellary. Had I initiated one and left the other, there is every possibility of misunderstanding between the two. So I was helpless to say that Bhimsen Rao could be initiated on the recommendation of younger Brother Ramchandra Rao. The later requested me to do so and I promised accordingly. But certain other people also came here due to whose presence I could not initiate him. I think, Gopal Rao has told many people about this. As my experience tells it, this should be kept secret. The Abhyasi is benefited to a great extent by initiation, because everything is done with the backing of

power here. But the difficulty is that very few people are found who are fit for it. Sometimes I have to do it just to please somebody. I don't have any difficulty if the person is fit.

You have written with a deep feeling too, in one of your letter that some means should be devised, by which our Mission may get large funds. The result of your thought was that, soon after that Shri Raghavendra Rao, S.P. donated Rs.10,000=00 for the Ashram (at Tirupati) Rs.2,000=00 was already there. A small hall can be constructed out of this fund. The work is in progress; but it is slow on account of the rainy season. Sri Ayalreddy had also written that he would collect some funds for this, but he has not been able to do this due to his own difficulties. He has written that he would come in August. The collyrium which I have given you must have improved your sight. If so, you can continue its use. In case you are benefited by it, please write to me before my departure so that I may bring some more Phials.

Shri Mahendrakar of Hyderabad who had come during the Utsava had directed one Shri Prabhakar Vardhan who was on a round tour to visit Shahjahanpur. He stayed here for 22 days, and was practicing "Mara Mara" and "Ram Ram" of Swami Ramadasji of Mangalore. I write as a private matter that his character was not unblemished. I tried to transmit him twice but in turn I myself got the injection; and my heart began to burn. As long as he stayed here and used to sit before me, my heart was burning. I spent these 22 days with great difficulty. After many days of conversation, he opened himself and told that he had come here to receive only transmission. The chanting of 'Ram Ram' was continuing without break. I had been to Sitapur during this period along with him. A public meeting was arranged there. My position, in his view was just that of a Saqui who serves wine in a brothel and that much and that's all. He (Mr. Prabhakar Vardhan) had no idea of the highest condition one acquires in Sahaj Marg. At last, he was bombarded by my conversation in the Satsang and became ready to follow Sahaj Marg. I refused to admit him, and informed Kumaraswamy that the gentleman requires deep operation which Nature alone can do. Suppose,

some of us do such deep operation, it would be very difficult to keep constant watch according to Nature.

Sahaj Marg Magazine is being received very late after printing, sometimes to the extent of six months after print. People complain to me about this. This difficulty can be overcome only if by God's Grace we have our own press.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Please write as to which side your father has had the attack of paralysis- on the right side or the left.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 147 Shahjahanpur
No. I-401/SRCM Dated : 09-09-1964

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I was very sorry to know about the sad demise of your revered father. I endured it with great difficulty. May God give peace to his soul and strength to you all to bear the grief.

I did not write the letter of condolence so far, thinking that you might have all gone to your native place.

Blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 148 Shahjahanpur
No. I-435/SRCM Dated : 13-10-1964

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. I want to stay at your Brother's house but the pressure of Mrs. Kumaraswami's affection is there on the heart. Mr. Jogarao, who had been here during Janmashtami has also invited me to stay at his residence. I had told him that Sri Raghavendra Rao will decide this. Now, as you have decided, the question of my staying anywhere else does not arise. Moreover the room at Mr. Kumaraswami's house will be quite insufficient. So he may not press me from this point of view. You need not send the cheque for Rs.300=00. I am writing to Jahagirdar that I do not want to put so much burden on him. The payment will be made on behalf of the Mission. I do appreciate his sentiment (of love) that he is spending so much for the prayer room. But none can even think of spending Rs.1000=00 on a sofa set for the prayer room, for he thinks that the floor of the room should be even. Mats and carpets are sufficient for this purpose. Moreover, one has to take great care of such good things and the room. All this means that we should create pressure on our heart regarding worship.

About one and half year passed after my return from South Indian tour. I want to open some centres and I have promised some persons in this regard. Among them, one is Sri C. Raghavendra Rao, Superintendent of Police and the other Dr. Parthasarathy (of Vijayawada) who has been provisionally permitted to conduct Satsang, on the recommendation of Sri Kumaraswamy. I could have prepared him and given full permission, but from the experience in the case of

Mudaliar, I did not think it proper to make haste. You too might be remembering that case. The third one is Sri Narayana Rao of Bijapur whom I have already promised. The fourth is the latest which I will leave it to you to decide. Why should not Sri Gunde Rao be permitted? If you agree, please try to remove his grossness accumulated inside his chest in the form of a layer and inform me. I have not touched all these persons from one year. After that many months passed in my illness. I am unable to decide whether I should prepare these persons during my journey as I have often done.

I have not recovered fully. But I have decided to start from this place on 20th November. I may be late by a day. I have not yet received the new time table. I will get the time table prepared after receiving the same. I will certainly go to Sangareddy because I have promised Sri Raghavendra Rao, S.P. there.

I had included Raichur in my program but cancelled it on receiving your letter. But you have to go there for 3 days at least in my stead. You can do this within the coming 4 or 5 months because Organisation is necessary there. After you get my program you can inform the Satsangis of Raichur to meet me at Sedam. And it matters little why they should not travel 150 Miles when I myself come there traveling 1600 Miles for their sake.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Perhaps I may go to Chennapatna as it is situated between Bangalore and Mysore.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 149 Shahjahanpur
No. I-495/SRCM Dated : 28-10-1964

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. I am sending the program. I have sent copies of the program to the following Brothers of your circle.

Shri Kumaraswamy, Hyderabad
Shri Raghavendra Rao, Sangareddy
Shri Gopal Rao, Bidar
Shri Ayalreddy, Sedam
Shri S. A. Sarnad, Gulbarga
Shri Narayan Rao, Bijapur
Shri M. D. Jahagirdar, Channapatna
Shri Doreswamy, Bangalore
Shri Manjunath, Mysore

Apart from this, you may write to Ayalreddy to inform where there are satsangis. You may also inform Raichur people that whichever station is nearby, they can come to meet me. I have promised to present a guntapongalu pot to an abhyasi and I have heard that good ones are available at Raichur and Bellary. Please arrange for the same from wherever it is possible. Please write about the books required, so that I may bring them along with me.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 150 Shahjahanpur
No. I-508/SRCM Dated : 07-11-1964

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Shri Ishwar Sahai has written about the program, a copy of which is enclosed. I am replying to the rest of the points in your letter. Your blessed self was never a sinner and even if you were in the previous birth that covering has been removed. Now there is no question of sin. Even if you suppose to be so the Mercy of the Lord is also with you. How beautifully a poet has put it:

"Gunhegaaronse poocha Jo uski Rehmat ne

Bahoot Khafiff hue, Jo Gunhegaar na The"

"When His mercy enquired of the sinners,
those who were not sinners got felt ashamed".

To think oneself as a sinner is a mark of humility. But this idea is Islamic. Probably this has not been said in our religion. There is indeed a matter of courtesy in this. When we think ourselves to be sinner our Heart begins to drag His mercy and we will be amply benefited in the condition, when we totally depend upon His mercy. It is a part of surrender. When we proceeded towards great thing, naturally our condition becomes so low at that time, only His mercy remains in our view, we will be a non-entity. It means that we create a vacuum for His mercy. This is about Reality, which the seeker only can know. Now comes your question – when the letter was received the feeling arose that the moments

of meeting were drawing near. This idea of nearness automatically gave a jerk which was the force of love. It shook each and every link in the body. The idea of greatness was destined to be there because there was a great thing in view. Now when there was a higher thing in the thought, there cannot be any destruction of greatness unless and until the opposite thought is taken up. Now when there was a great thing in your thought, it is bound to make effect on small things. These small things are there in man to a certain extent in any condition. So these which received the shock were magnified for sometime. The real thing is not as you have written in your letter. Love is praised everywhere. There is a story in Mahabharat: when Lord Krishna, went to Vidura's House, Vidura's wife who was bathing naked, on hearing Krishna's voice became so much forgetful that she opened the door and came out in the same state. Krishna threw his upper garment and covered her. She began to feed him with plantains in such a way that she gave him the skin (peel) and threw away the kernel. When Vidura came and said 'you are feeding the skin and throwing away the kernel'. She came to her senses and began to feed him with a kernel. Lord Krishna then said that the taste which he found in the peel was not there in Kernel. So when love and Bhakti take hold to such an extent the condition which Vidura's wife had, is sometimes experienced by the less advanced, a small example of which is Sri Doreswamy. You have been over powered in your own condition. There was nothing special in it. Nor is there anything noteworthy.

You need not reply Thyagarajan's letter. Just keep them. I too received letter which neither have tail nor head. Dr. Vardachari also received such letters. Sri Manjunath has written to me that I must go to Chickamagalur. But my health is not capable of withstanding the strain of purposeless journey. He thinks that he would gain prosperity by my going there but it would in fact be gained by 'Rikkat' (prayer, with love) the meaning of which you know. In short prosperity is earned by prayer and devotion. Moreover, I am very weak with many other diseases at present. The complaint of Asthama is also there along with many diseases. Dr.Parthasarathy of Vijayawada has sent me some medicines. He is also arranging for some injections. This is all due to his love. Other Satsangi Doctors have also

sent medicines which I have not had the opportunity to take; because sometimes a previous ailment returns and sometimes some other thing develops.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P.S. : The first volume of 'Voice of East' is ready. Dr. Vardachari completed and has sent me "Sahaj Marg a New Darshan" and "Sahaj Marg and modern Psychology". I am worried about their printing. The English version of Ten Commandments has run out of stock. Only 50 copies of "Peep into Sahaj Marg" are remaining.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 151 Shahjahanpur
No. J-81/SRCM Dated : 13-02-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. This year about 25 men and women participated in the Basant Utsava and I was very happy. By God's Grace all returned fully satisfied. Sri Narayan Rao also had come. All have now gone back except Sri Sheshadri and his wife, who will leave on 17th February 1965. I have prepared two persons from the south, i.e., yourself and Dr. Vardachari very little work is to be done, and now God has taken up both of you in His hands for training. You are free from my care. There was a time when you needed me; and a time has come now, when I need you. I wanted to take two more persons, because none else was found fit for such training. I will narrate my experience when I took up two persons, Sheshadri's wife started progressing of her own. That is, both husband

and wife proceeded hand in hand, so she progressed automatically. Another person selected was Sarnadji. When I wanted to begin, I found unconscious resistance in him and unless this is removed he cannot become as he ought to become. It is a different thing if he is dragged and pulled up. In that case, there would be no speciality. So, you think over the matter and remove it. Then it would be possible. I have freed you from meditation and saved about an hour and half, which you should utilise in silent works of the Mission. I have assigned you some duty also. The more the confidence you develop in you, the better would be the work.

Master Saheb had told you at Hassan about the development of Bidar. He had also explained them. But it seems to have made any effect. Although there are only one or two mischievous elements, Brother, a single fish is enough to spoil the whole tank. We do not want such things in the Mission, nor do we need such persons. We are only concerned with the spreading the Satsang and not groupsim. I have written a letter to Sri Shambu Rao, a copy of which is enclosed. I sent it through Sri Gopal Rao. You do whatever is right in this connection and advise me in this matter.

You include the following names in the list of initiated members and inform Sarnadji to do accordingly. Inform Dattaraj also. Hand over a copy of the up to date list to Pampapati.1) Smt. Dattaraj 2) Pampapati, Gulbarga 3) Narayan Rao, Bijapur 4) Shivalingappa 5) Bhimsen Rao 6) Ram Chandra Pujar.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 152 Shahjahanpur
No. J-150/SRCM Dated : 25-03-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. I was worried to know that you faced difficulty due to your meager salary. You ought to have written to me so that some remedy could have been done to mitigate the difficulty. Please inform whether you are experiencing the same difficulty even at present. I have received a letter from Sarnad. He is making himself fit for higher training. He will surely get some benefit out of this. But you alone can remove the unconscious resistance. Submission he has, indeed, but his heart is not co-operating and he is not able to do it.

Dr. K.C. Vardachari has come over to Delhi for 3 days from 25th to 27th March 1965. He is reaching Shahjahanpur on the morning of 28th March. A meeting is arranged the same day evening. I am taking him to Sitapur on the 29th March. A meeting has been arranged there in the evening. He will return to this place on 30th by 10 A.M. and will proceed back to Delhi on the 31st morning. He will proceed home from Delhi in the evening.

You did a good thing in asking Sri Sarnadji to inquire into the things developing at Bidar. I have also written to him quoting your reference. Some of the good Satsangis are afraid and have left the centre. It should not be closed on this account. A certain gentlemen Mr. X I am writing privately has mentioned the names of Sri A and Sri.B. Some of the rest have pointed out the names of Sri… and Sri.S... I hope that it is alright now. Sri A and Sri B are still in the same atmosphere. Sri... is so gross that he is not deriving any benefit in the general

Satsang except getting some gross intoxication. I wanted to set him right. But whenever I started working I used to forget his name. How long Sri.... may remain in this field? I found his condition spoiled too. I have told him so and most probably I mentioned about this before you also at Hassan. Sri.... has told many persons about his initiation. And he must be under the impression that due to initiation he has a right to become preceptor. The same effect was carried over in Sri....and he too wanted initiation. I have written a letter to Sri... a copy of which is being sent to you. Write to Sri Sarnad that he should enquire these things and try to set them right. If it cannot be set right, there is no other way except to say 'about turn'. Well, I leave this to you.

Inform whether you have been continuing the massaging which I have told in respect of Meera.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 153 Shahjahanpur
No. J-217/SRCM Dated : 25-04-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received both of your letters. I had sent one plate and two cups (with flowers carved on them) which you will receive through Narayan Raoji of Bijapur. Care should be taken in keeping sour things in them. But those things get spoiled later than in brass. You can keep curds in them as long as

you take meals. Milk does not get spoiled in them. The metal is brittle and breaks immediately if thrown on the floor. Its speciality is that it gets shining and becomes bright as much as you clean it.

Shivalingappa, Ramchandra Pujar and B.L.K. Murthy of Bidar are staying here at present. Channabasappa and his wife left yesterday. Sarnadji has written to me that there was some misunderstanding at Bidar, which has been set right. Still it should be watched. As per my understanding 'G's attitude has not changed. The Executive Committee has decided in the Annual meeting that the Mission should start its own press. Now, an amount of Rs.3,000=00 is there in the Mission. The total estimate is about Rs.15,000=00 All the centres should be informed of this. Secondly the annual subscription of the Magazine has been raised to Rs.4/- Hence, the subscription should be collected at this new rate. Also inform all the centres accordingly.

The replies you have given are quite relevant to the questions and the answers are alright too. There is no question of impertinence or foolishness in them. During Dr. Vardachari's visit to this place, a speech has been arranged at Shahjahanpur and another at Sitapur.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Generally it is observed that those who are initiated feel satisfied as if there remains nothing for them to do further. 'The cow will make you to cross vaitarni and Guru will make you to cross the ocean of Mundane World (Bhava Sagar).' Ramchandra Pujar also is satisfied, and this defect would creep in him also. And Gopal Rao's condition was such that he has developed pride, (or egoism) and began to think himself to be one among the special abhyasis, he began to advise others also to think as such. The result was that he has made his condition spoiled to such an extent that it has not been set right even to this day.

With great pride, he told Dr. Vardachari also that he was initiated and that he was advised not to disclose this to anybody else. Dr. Vardachari told – I do not know whether it was before 'G' himself or before any others that 'G' was disobedient as he related the forbidden matter to him.

Umesh is at Delhi and is suffering from high fever. He will be alright. There is no need for anxiety (or worry). Chaya's husband who is (also) at Delhi has relapsed into typhoid; and he has gone to Kanpur on leave. I have not received the latest information. But he will be alright by God's grace.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 154 Shahjahanpur
No. J-265/SRCM Dated : 26-05-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. By God's Grace Ch. Meera Bai must have been alright by now. Chi. Umesh, who is in Delhi suffered from high fever. Then there was low fever, and it has been persisting from about a month. He has not recovered as yet. Doctors say that it is due to the deficiency of E.S.R. in the blood. He has to attend the office in the same condition and also to go out of the Head Quarters for audit, lest he should fall short of attendance. His sister, Ch.Chaya is staying at Kanpur for the last 1 1/2 months. My son-in-law also had the complaint of low fever and as such he will avail leave till June. Umesh is alone. I had sent master Saheb and Sarvesh there for two weeks. Master Saheb has gone to Bareilly from there and he is expected to return here within a day or two. I myself could not go because South Indian Brothers were on visit to this place.

Today, while I am writing this letter, Master Saheb arrived just now. He is very weak. He was suffering from colic. He is not taking his normal food as yet. A function has been arranged at Sitapur on 29th, 30th and 31st of May. It is good that the matters at Bidar have improved.

I agree with you on the point that the foreword to the Kannada translation of Efficacy of Raj Yog must be got written from some qualified person. But the condition is that we should get such a person who can write it out in a befitting manner. Sri. Yamunachar of Mysore is able and is a friend of Dr. K.C.Vardachari. I had given him a copy of Reality at Dawn at the time of the function and has asked Sri Manjunath Iyer to give him other books also, which perhaps he might have given.

Blessing to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 155 Shahjahanpur
No. J-291/SRCM Dated : 10-06-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Gunde Rao is transferred to Sindhanur. I have written to him to appoint some interested abhyasi as the Organizer at Koppal and to keep contact with him regarding Satsang through correspondence. He should also visit the place whenever he gets time. Otherwise the Satsangis will lose all interest after transfer.

I know your intention to get a foreword written for the Kannada translation of Efficacy of Raj Yog. He who has reviewed some book in the columns of Deccan Herald at Bangalore, may be contacted in this regard. If you think it proper and if you are quite sure that he would be able to perform his job well, his name is Dr. Gurunath or something like this. He is keeping contact with our Satsangis at Bangalore.

Master Saheb has gone to Delhi to nurse Umesh, but he himself fell ill. He is suffering from stomach ache which has been diagnosed by the doctors as Colitis. He is recovering now. He is going to Lakhimpur today or tomorrow. Umesh is shown to a Hakeem as the doctors could not cure low fever. His latest condition is not yet known. Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 156 Shahjahanpur
No. J-604/SRCM Dated : 25-06-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Your letter is in my hands. I am very glad that your wife and children also will accompany with me to Bangalore. I want to see K.G.F. this time and permission will have to be taken for this. I have written to Doreswamy in this regard. So it is better to write to him to apply for permission, for Myself, yourself, your wife and children also. It would be a new thing for all.

I have sent the program to S.P. but on his old address, I intended to stay with him only, but as it would be far off to the Satsangis, I will stay with Kumaraswamy.

If possible I drop at Secunderabad for a few hours on my way from Vijayawada to Hyderabad. Or I will go there some time during my stay at Hyderabad. Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 157 Shahjahanpur
No. J-339/SRCM Dated : 20-07-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I had received your letter. I was happy to know of the child's birth. May God bless him with long life, prosperity and happiness. The Kannada translation of the "Efficacy of Rajayoga" is out from the press. Sri Doreswami of Bangalore showed me the book. The print is good. As for the printing mistakes, I agree with your opinion that they should be sent to Sedam and rectified. Another mistake in it, which is important is that Dr. K.C. Vardachari's 'Talks on Efficacy of Rajayoga' does not find entry in the list of publication of the Mission in the Book. I have suggested Doreswami that the same should be got printed on a separate piece of sheet of paper and pasted at the end. This work is very important. Instruct him as such and get this done. The foreword written by Dr. Gurumurthy should appear in the book along with its Kannada translation. I have told Doreswami about this and you, better, get all these things done from him and ensure yourself in this regard.

This time Krishna Janmashtami falls on the 30th August. M.D. Jahagirdar also has written that he would come. Ayal Reddy and Mr. and Mrs.Kumaraswamy are also expected. The installation of the press is still pending. The mania for the press has been awakened by our needs. It so happened that four years ago a person promised to donate Rs.2,000=00 if we set up the press. I asked him to keep the amount with him alone and when the Mission could collect enough funds I would demand that amount too. He insisted to accept Rs.2,000/- during the Utsava, this time. Then the Executive Committee passed the resolution, which was quite easy to do so, and some members promised to donate funds. All this was announced along with resolution after the Satsang. But the surprise was that the particular members from all places of South India who were present did not mention this at their respective centers. They ought to have taken the deliberations and orders of the Mission as Divine Grace and communicated the same to all Satsangis at their places. I am sending you a copy of the estimate and another copy to Ayal Reddy. Act according to the situation. None should be compelled in this regard. The subscription is purely voluntary. Mr. Kumaraswamy has written to me that as there is no response at Hyderabad I need not write. A certain gentleman by name Ramesh of Hyderabad who had been here during Basant Panchami has sent Rs.500/- saying that he wanted to send that amount in his father's name to Shivanand Ashram at Rishikesh. But the benefit which he derived here during these four days, says the gentleman could not be got even after following Swami Shivanand for years together. As such, he had decided to concern himself with our Mission and support it only. Write to Sri M. Narayan Rao on your own behalf to Bijapur. It is probable that the Gujarati people may help in this matter. You may do whatever you deem proper in the rest of the matter in your branch only.

I was per force on tour this time. Master Saheb fell ill himself while nursing Umesh at Delhi. Now, after full two months and a half, he has returned from Lakhimpur after treatment. His health is alright now. But one great difficulty is that he has developed cataract in one eye, which is almost ripe (matured). He is

losing sight of the other eye also. Cataract is being formed in that too. Ch. Umesh suffered from low fever about 2 1/2 months. But from the time when you wrote that fever would have completely subsided by the time I received the letter, it has really stopped by God's grace. He had colitis also but there is some improvement no doubt. But he has not fully recovered. By God's grace it will also be cured. Chaya's husband Sri Rajendra Kumar, who is at Delhi is on leave for the last three months. He had relapsed into typhoid. Afterwards, there were eruptions in the ear, which were operated. Now he is almost alright, but he is very weak. Another trouble is that my Brother-in-law who is at Lucknow was sick for last two months. He has now been admitted in the Medical College Hospital, as his son is studying there. Doctors doubt it as cancer for which tests are being made. I returned from Lucknow yesterday after seeing him. May God restore his health.

When I was on south Indian tour, I was thinking in my leisure time how nice it would be that is somehow a process is known by which man, abandoning his animal qualities, becomes man (in the real sense). When I looked all around in myself as well as in creation, I see two dynamos-one, the dynamo of individual creation and the other, the dynamo of universal creation. I pondered over the matter further and felt sorry because Sri Aurobindo who wanted to bring about transformation of the world did not know about the dynamo of universal creation. Otherwise, he would have mentioned about it and probably would have used it by his power for the betterment of the world. I have left this dynamo untouched (at present) as I know that only the special personality has the power to make use of it. I am afraid that first of all no thought of every foolish Mahatma cannot reach this. There are two or three persons of this caliber in our Mission who can use it. But I do not want to give any clues in the matter as I have to give them special power to stay there, lest their life may get merged with that. Now I take the dynamo of individual creation. I have been able to solve this by my Master's grace. He has given a solution which is very good; and whatever I have thought over it is also correct. My Master has also accepted it. There is no danger in this solution. It is very effective tool. The experimenter has to be very alert. I have taken up two cases for observation. But it is to be seen whether only one

experiment is enough for the whole lifetime or they have to be repeated several times after certain interval. Those to whom I have transmitted are showing signs of change but what sort of change it would be, can be found out only when the thing comes to the fore. After arriving at certain conclusion I shall inform all the Preceptors.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P. S. : This method can be called as the 'Nuclear method'. At the suggestion of Mr. Narayan Rao of Bijapur I have given the provisional permission to Sri Vital Rao, Advocate, Raïchur (to work as Preceptor). He stayed for one week with me. I forgot to write to you. I intend to include Raichur during my tour of South India this year. I will do so on your suggestion. But as I have to go to Bijapur also, the same route will have to be taken twice. You better decide the route for yourself. Moreover, I want to go to Sri Gunde Rao's place also.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 158 Shahjahanpur
No. J-367/SRCM Dated : 05-08-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. You will be sorry to know that my Brother-in-law who was at Lucknow expired on 27th July. Sister had to face two calamities one after the other. Her daughter accidentally caught fire and died. Eight or ten days after this, her father (my Brother-in-law) expired. My sister is a Government

Servant and that is the only means of livelihood. They have enough landed property; but the people there are crooked and so head strong that they want to swallow it. God will help. Their boy is studying in the final year of Dental Surgery.

Janmashtami falls on 30th August. Mr. Doddabasappa has come from Yadgir and probably he will stay till Janmashtami. A sanyasi from Scotland is staying with me here, and he is following Mahesh Yogi's cult for the last two or three years. He came here from Scotland six months ago and stayed at Swami Shivanand's Ashram, Rishikesh.

Mr. Jahagirdar also is coming. If you think fit and if he can make a couple of new satsangis, I intend to give him provisional permission. I have no opinion of mine in this. It is merely a suggestion. You form your opinion and inform me.

You might have received my previous letter along with press estimate.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 159 Shahjahanpur
No. J-401/SRCM Dated : 01-09-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. By God's grace you might have reached Hassan quite safely and hope the children are healthy and happy. A letter from Gujarathi of

Bidar, was received, which you have also probably gone through. There was a point in it, that the misunderstanding which was created there, was removed by Sarnad; but it has not been erased from the hearts. I am sorry to note that such a trifling matter could not be erased from their hearts. I think it is Gujarathi only in whose heart something is deep seated till now. So I wrote a letter to him, a copy of which is being sent to you so that you should have complete record.

Sheshadri has been transferred to Madras, but his children will remain at Trichy only till April. He has said that I should include Trichy in my Program. Mr. Sheshadri's wife is sick and has gone to her parental home for treatment.

Swami John is coming here again on 6th September. He feels happy when he is here. But he does not want to be idle. I do not know that there is any work that could be entrusted to him.

From about less than a week an idea is creeping in my mind that if every Satsangi feels Mission as his own, the difficulties that the Mission is now facing may disappear. When we feel our children as our own we are prepared to undergo any hardship for their comfort. So write to all preceptors that they should impress this on the Satsangis from time to time. You will come to know the benefits of this on thinking a little in this direction. The thing is quite small.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P.S: You may please be goading Mr. M. Narayan Rao of Bijapur to action so that he may try to spread the Satsang.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 160 Shahjahanpur
No. J-571/SRCM Dated : 15-10-1965

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. Sri Raghavendra Rao S.P. has rented a house at Secunderabad which will be far off to the Satsangis. As such I will stay at Kumaraswami's house. You have already availed leaves and perhaps earned leave will not be suitable. If so, do meet me at Bijapur and Mysore during summer holidays. Casual leave may be enough for this purpose. And if you are in a position to keep company at more stations, I shall be very happy.

I am sending the Program. Inform the children of my arrival and convey my blessings to them.

With blessings, Ram Chandra.

P.S. : I am sending my program to all the centers where I stay. I got the Railway time table early this time and so the program could be prepared early.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 161 Shahjahanpur
No. J-668/SRCM Dated : 23-11-1965

My dear Brother,

Blessings. Just now a telegram is received from Sri. K.C. Vardachari informing of the demise of his wife today. I was very sad. What can be done when it is God's will? Yesterday I was informed of her serious condition due to paralysis. May God bestow peace on the departed Soul.

With blessings, Ishwar Sahai

P.S. : Further changes in the tour program will be intimated to you when we meet. They refer to dates 24th December onwards. Your letter was received yesterday.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 162 Shahjahanpur
No. K-463/SRCM Dated : 24-10-1966

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. This is the first letter I am writing to you after my tour of South India, when the tour is again nearing. I am not keeping good health for the last one month or so. The same old complaint of pain is there, sometimes with motions. There is improvement, no doubt, it is better than before. But weakness and run down condition are as they formerly were. Sometimes the pain increases. Even though, I have prepared the program of my South Indian tour from 19th November, and I leave Delhi on 21st November. I have not finalised the program as yet because I have to look to my pain and health. I have left Gulbarga and Bijapur this time, because it would be difficult to undertake such a long journey even If I am free from pain. Your suggestions that I should leave off Bijapur and Mysore was good. You must be

remembering that I had told you that these twenty persons who had gathered at Mysore were not fit to be retained. I wanted only four or five members and it is good that all these birds flew away. Now I have to restart the Mission work with these four or five persons there and I showed you the scheme which I had prepared at Mysore only that I should begin to take work from Gopal Rao. I shall discuss other things with you when we personally meet. This time Sri Gujarathi was pressing me to visit Bijapur, because his Brother is there at Hubli and that I should dine with him. You can understand yourself whether this is love or cleverness.

It is true that it is difficult to feel as homely as I feel at your home. The children are all acquainted with me. Though I do not understand their language, I tease them and feel entertained. So I want to stay with you, but for want of accommodation it is better to stay with Sri Vital Rao only. In fact I agree to what you decide. Sri Srikantiah had met me last year at Tirupati. He had no receptivity at all. I had told him so, and he had accepted it. Perhaps he may be sitting with you. You can remove the obstructions in two or three sittings. He is very good man and fit for admission in the Mission.

May God bless your daughters in getting a good home and husband. You need not worry, it shall be so. You have written that you feel abashed when people touch your feet. I once told the same thing before revered Lalaji. He gave a befitting reply. Probably he had asked me whether I felt joy or otherwise, or a feeling of my ability being recognised or a feeling of my greatness. I had replied that I felt none of these things and I stand like a statue. Then he had said that people touched the feet, whose feet ought to be touched. It is our ancient tradition to touch the feet of the Mahatmas or of those who are elderly. I wanted to write an essay on this but the letter would be too long and as such I leave it. On coming there, I will explain the whole thing, in case I remember it. Hafij has made a prophesy which has now come true. A time would come he said, when an ass would be crowned. That is, unfit people get recognition, and it is being done. The distinction is lost sight of. But by God's Grace you are fit for your feet being

touched. Moreover, those who touch your feet get benefited. So, let them get their right through this. Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P.S. : 'K' who met me at Bijapur and who had consented to what I felt does not seem to have improved himself. He is no more fit for group meditation. I had told him to act as per your advice. He cannot get grace from me under the present circumstances. He has not left his former vice.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 163 Shahjahanpur
No. K-537/SRCM Dated : 28-11-1966

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I have not yet recovered my health, although I am feeling slightly better than before. The person who was practicing meditation on form and saw different unexpected visions has to be studied. A strange thing, unheard of till now or not experienced by anybody, has come to my view. Has he been a devotee of Shankara (Shiva)?

I am obtaining copyright of "Sahaj Marg Philosophy". I shall add it in 'Sahaj Marg in outline' and get it printed. Unless I add this matter in that, please do not get the Kannada translation printed.

James Kidd of America has left a will which is published in the National Herald of 8th October 1966. He who gives scientific proof of the soul leaving the

body at the time of death or regarding the existence of soul, shall get 2 lakhs of dollars. The session begins from 18th March 1966. There are eight persons in the contest. You can also try for it.

Shri Raghavendra Rao of Secunderabad is coming to Shahjahanpur with his family on 6th December 1966. Blessings to children.

Yours, with blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 164 Shahjahanpur
Dated : 05-01-1967

My Raghavendra Raoji,

Very sorry to inform you that Sri Ishwar Sahai (Master Saheb) has attained complete freedom and went spotless from this world on 02-01-1967 at 08.50 P.M. He was looking after the Mission's work and of the press all alone. I am under difficulties now.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 165 Shahjahanpur
No. 89/SRCM Dated : 25-01-1967

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. This year Basant Panchami will be celebrated from 13th February to 15th February 1967. Please invite all to participate in the Utsav. I have sent invitation cards to Sri Gunde Rao of Sindanoor address, because his changed address was not found in the Register. You can also write to him.

Those who cannot go to Shahjahanpur can sit in group meditation.

13-02-1967	6.30 AM to 7.30 AM
14-02-1967	6.30 AM to 7.30 AM
15-02-1967	6.30 AM to 7.30 AM

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 166 Shahjahanpur
No. C-323/SRCM Dated : 04-05-1967

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I am sending you the program. Two persons are accompanying me. One is J.R.K. Raizada, who is a lecturer in History and the other Sri Uma Shankar who is a preceptor at Sitapur. Reservation has been done on 23rd May 1967 as the same is now being done a month in advance. Sri Sarnad is at his native village Malli, He intends to go to Hyderabad. Please send him a copy of the Program. He had given his address. If it is traced here, I will send the program. Sri Gopal Rao is writing this letter. He knows his address and I will send him the program, which you need not send. You can write a post card as a precautionary measure, it being a village affair.

I will be staying for one week at Hyderabad, because Sri Raghavendra Rao, S.P. will arrange for my medical examination and prescription of remedies. Often times I suffer from diarrhea, as a result of which I feel very weak. You inform the Satsangis around your place. Also inform the gentlemen who had met me at Raichur and Koppal last year and working as railway police at Guntakal, if you know his address. Gujarathi stayed here for 25 days and went back. Dr. K.C. Vardachari is weak now a days. Diabetes is aggravated as also the trouble with his eyes. It is better that you enquire about his health referring to my letter. Hope you will inform the children about my arrival. They will be very happy.

Blessings to them.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 167 Shahjahanpur
No. G-410/SRCM Dated : 20-07-1967

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. I was very glad to learn about your arrival. I will be present here. Probably Gift Deed could not be executed because his son could not come from Madras. It is better to complete it as early as possible, so that our thought is not diverted towards it once it is completed.
Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 168 Shahjahanpur
No. G-456/SRCM Dated : 21-08-1967

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Hope you reached quite safely to Raichur and that the children are quite happy and healthy. Sri Ayal Reddy along with his three associates has come here. His associates will stay for a day at Delhi and Agra and then proceed to their native place. Sri Krishnamurthy has come to Agra with his wife.

The pamphlet regarding Methods of Training which you had corrected and in which I had dictated a few more things, is not traceable. Please see whether it has inadvertently gone with you instead of the file of translated letters, which is lying here with me. If it is there, send it by registered parcel, as I am quite upset in that matter. Teach your wife how to work. Women feel more easy on their becoming Preceptors. Inform this to all so that they may know this.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 169 Shahjahanpur
No. G-457/SRCM Dated : 21-08-1967

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Today I posted a letter just now asking you to find out whether the Methods of training part II has not been gone with you by mistake. It is now found here. Just now J.R.K. Raizada came and told that he had kept it with him. Now it is with me.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Yours Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 170 Shahjahanpur
No. G-552/SRCM Dated : 26-10-1967

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I have determined to reach South India on 1st December 1967. But it seems pretty difficult because Babu Uma Shanker's wife is sick for the last one month and it is only after her recovery that he will be able to accompany me. One more person is not available although I have written to Narayana Sahai son of Sri Ishwar Sahai. I will be able to start on his leave being sanctioned.

I have cleaned Sri Srikantiah as best as I could, and have cleared the way to a great extent. Further needful things may be done by you as and when you feel necessary.

My son-in-law Ch. Rajendra Kumar has come over to Sitapur along with my daughter Chaya. The condition of his eyes is not good. He is suffering from Ends disease and there is hemorrhage in the eyes. It is also suspected that there is Retinal Hemorrhage in the left eye. Probably it needs operation. May God be merciful and you will all pray for his recovery.

Sri Rajagopalachari who has come to Delhi from Madras, had gone to see him (Rajendra Kumar). He has written that prayer alone can work in such diseases. Really it is to be regretted that Rajendra is the only person who earns bread for Chaya and there is no other sources of income. May God give him perfect health. Amen.

I have received a letter from 'K', I am sending it to you. A letter was received prior to this also, which I tore and threw away. Other Satsangis also are coming to me and I will not be able to go to Sitapur till November 4th 1967. Now 'K' wants to come here, whom I do not want to include in Satsang unless he comes to the right path and unless you are also sure that he is on the right path. Moreover, I had told regarding him that his brain is getting spoiled. This fact is evident from his letter also.

I do not want that he should come here because he will not receive any benefit from me in the existing circumstances. Secondly, his brain is getting spoiled, the remedy of which I have none. I have given time for others till November 4th, 1967. Afterwards I will go to Sitapur without waiting for even a minute here. Blessings to children.

Yours with blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 171 Shahjahanpur
No. C-581/SRCM Dated : 19-11-1967

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. My health is better than before. At present our typist has gone for a bath in the Ganga and even before that he was on leave for some time. The program is not yet typed. It is ready for Vijayawada, Hyderabad and Raichur only. I am sending the same to you. Really speaking, I could not set the matters right after the departure of Sri Ishwar Sahai. Nobody has the interest which he had in the Mission's work. I am sorry that I could not include Bidar and Gulbarga inspite of your suggestion and I often think of this. The difficulty was Sri Narayana Sahai (Ishwar Sahai's son) who is accompanying me could not get long leave. And Uma Shankar's wife was seriously ill. Now she is all right, but the treatment is still continuing. So I left him. Raizada is coming with me. The matter which you have recommended will be discussed there only and regarding Sri Vital Rao, the matter will be settled after the discussion there. You inform the persons near about. Also inform Sri Gunde Rao and Gopal Rao also from there. This time I have given a day each for the new centres, Salem and Madurai. As these are new centers, I thought it necessary to include them in my program. It was not so necessary with regard to Gulbarga and Bidar, because you too often visit those places. The *Satsangis* there definitely feel unhappy about this but if they have some consideration for the Mission and its work they should not entertain this thought. Do inform the children about my arrival.

Blessings to all.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P. S. : Rajendra Kumar is in Sitapur eye hospital along with Chaya. He has to remain there for considerably a long time. There is retinal hemorrhage in the left eye and the vision is weak. There are many hemorrhages in the right eye also. May God show mercy and give him perfect health. There is none else to earn bread for Chaya nor is there any source of income. I had been to Sitapur for a couple of days and have returned today. Doctors are of the opinion that if electric treatment is not successful, retinal operation has to be done. We should all pray for his health. From Davangere Ex. Principal has written to me and has invited me. He has also promised to take up the Mission work. I have replied. You may invite him to your place when I am there with you at Hassan.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 172 Shahjahanpur
No. C-627/SRCM Dated : 29-11-1967

My Raghavendra Raoji,

Received your affectionate letter. I have already sent the tour program to Bangalore. I have sent the copies of the programs to all the centres of the Mission in the South. I am sending one to Sri Gunderao today. St. Kasturi will come with me if reservation is done. I have arranged for railway passes this year but they have not yet been received that is why we have not yet applied for reservation and did not purchase the tickets. Love to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 173 Shahjahanpur
No. C-72/SRCM Dated : 17-02-1968

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. Shri Raghavendra Rao (S.P.) and Shri Ramkrishna Chetty are men of great love and devotion and they have created sufficient room in my heart. May God bless them and give them progress day by day. Brother Ramkrishna Rao has given me good opportunity to render him service by staying with me for sufficient number of days. I write about his condition. There was much grossness which I have removed. But I came across one thing on which I am not able to get control till now. After many days I could get a word to describe that condition, i.e., there is earthly influence on the heart; seeing which, the colour of his heart appears as muddy, i.e., that of the colour of the agricultural field. The cause of it appears to be the thought of farm all along and automatic meditation on it. And the colour of the heart and colour of the soil have mingled like milk and sugar. Power increases by meditation and more so by initiation. His power has been used only on the agricultural field with deep involvement. And I am at a loss to understand how I should set him right.

Keep this in view when he comes to you and I shall correct that to the extent I can till that time.

Your view is correct that the dynamism in *satsangis* is not to the extent it ought to be. Its real reason is lack of co-operation. This co-operation will be found only in a few.

Another reason, which is common is that they do not give more time for

meditation. Third one is that after meditation, they do not keep any concern with *puja* and meditation. No doubt, they claim to have devotion but it can be called as devotion in this sense only that they have an impression in their heart of their being good and venerable. Real love is that in which there is pain (of longing).

It is good to have *Satsang* function of the *abhyasis* in Bidar. And wherever such opportunities come they should not be missed. You might be knowing that I have opened a centre of the Mission in France and Mr. A. Poray is its preceptor. He wanted to have *Reality at Dawn* translated into French. He has sent it to a Frenchman belonging to Aurobindo Ashram; he has deposited Rs.900/- for the translator. He wanted peace. He got it. Even then he was not getting satisfied. It was due to the Grace and the greatness of my Revered Master that he was satisfied in half a minute. And he was moving and walking but had no awareness. He told me, "I have no awareness, may it not happen that I get crushed under a car".

I am sending the Income Tax Exemption certificate. I thought that Raizada might have sent it. Dr. K.C.V. has toured Trichy and Madurai and is now going to Vijayawada on 23rd of February 1968. I will send a copy to your centre if it is not received. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S: If I have sent to you a copy of the method on 'how to make one dynamic' from Tirupati, then please get it typed and send me a copy. It consists of few lines and also a diagram.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 174 Shahjahanpur
No. C-135/SRCM Dated : 07-03-1968

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. For dear Ramakrishna, I have done whatever I could do. But you also need to attend to him from time to time and he needs hard work also. Shri Kumaraswamy should be explained that this is his illusion. Secondly, it is also a fact that he has developed some illusory habits. He has written some illusory things to me also. I shall reply to him explaining the things. All children might be happy and cheerful.

Blessings to all of you.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 175 Shahjahanpur
No. C-221/SRCM Dated : 12-05-1968

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. We do not remain in need of light, which people are unnecessarily hankering after and a time comes when you do not like it. There is neither light nor darkness. Truth also takes up an entirely different form there. The fact is, we need light until we are blind and when we recover sight we no longer need light.

Shri Ramkrishna Chetty from Hyderabad and Shri Kamalanathan from Tirupati will be coming here tomorrow for a week. Shri Ramkrishna Chetty was a

worshipper of Mehar Baba and was meditating on him considering him to be God; the result of which is that all grossness which he (Baba) had, percolated in him and spirituality remained with Babaji and he has become requiring hard work from us. It is strange to see how educated persons get deceived. Mehar Baba calls himself special personality and says he is transforming the world and that he will break silence on some date in May on which day there will be new change in the world. The date has changed from February to May and probably from May it may further change to some other date. May God save him from hallucination and may he give discrimination to his disciples. Such is the time that the intelligent and learned persons accept the sayings of Mehar Baba and believe whatever he says about himself to be true. And even fools do not believe in what I say and it is true also that who would come to me to learn lesson of ignorance?

Mr. Sundara, who is a preceptor in Delhi, had been to Australia on government work. The people there have got interest. He had little time therefore he could not do much work, yet two persons have started in Sydney and some discussion has taken place in New Zealand and Indonesia also. There has been some awakening now in Assam also. The number has started to increase there. They are pressing me to come there and I think that I have to go there during second week of June.

I am sending you *Commentary on Ten Commandments of Sahaj Marg*. Compare it carefully, keeping Urdu book alongside to ensure that nothing is left out in English translation; something was left out as you had pointed out to me in Bellary. I got that typed on a paper and got it affixed. Now this will be printed soon; therefore send it soon after going through carefully. I am sending the revised list of initiated members; names of those expired have been removed. Blessings to children.

Reality at Dawn will get ready by May. How many copies will you need?

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 176 Shahjahanpur
SRCM Dated : 14-05-1968

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. When I had packed the parcel, I remembered that there are some mistakes in *Towards Infinity* book. Taking help of Sarnadji, the same have been corrected. I am sending one corrected copy of the book to you so that you may also effect these corrections in the books which are with you. Shri Ramkrishna Chetty has come from Hyderabad. Shri Kamalanathan too will be coming from Tirupati.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 177 Shahjahanpur
No. C-357/SRCM Dated : 28-08-1968

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. I am happy that you will be coming and you will find me at home. I am not going out anywhere. Very funny letters come to me. About one or two months back one or two

gentlemen have asked me whether I will not be going out somewhere from such and such to such and such date. Kumaraswamy and Mohan Rao are staying with me. They will go back on the first. 'L' has also come from Bidar. I wonder whether he has come to rectify himself or to spoil me. Whatever hard work is needed on him, I may possibly try for it although I am afraid to do it. He will also meet you when you come here. Dr. Varadachari had come. He went back after staying for four days. He delivered his speeches at Delhi, Shahjahanpur, Lucknow, Allahabad and Calcutta. Now he has reached home safely. His son Narayan was also there.

In *Sat Darshan*, you might have read about *vairagya* (renunciation) and its kinds like firm renunciation (*dhrudha vairagya*), unsteady renunciation (*kachcha vairagya*), graveyard renunciation (*smashan vairagya*). Now I shall give you new kinds by which you can size up every person. Now listen, some people renounce the world and it is right, some persons renounce God and some others their brain. Those who renounce God are clever. Those who renounce the world are wise. And those who renounce their brains are fools. Now, hear their results: turmoil by renouncing God, peace by renouncing the world and dangerous ailments by renouncing the brain for example, brain tumor, paralysis etc.

This is one thing. Listen to one more; I shall explain to you as to how many kinds of saints are there. You might have read the kinds of this too in *Sat Darshan*. I shall give my definitions. I consider three kinds : *Sant, Param Sant* and *Sat Guru*.

Sant is one who has come to his original state.

Param Sant is one who has no idea or awareness of his being in his Original State.

Sat Guru : The function of Sat Guru is to make us realise the utilisation of God given faculties and their proper use in Divine work.

The speeches that Dr. K.C.Varadachari has delivered on *Sahaj Marg* will be printed in Madras. I have sent all those which I had with me. I am glad that by the grace of God, your house will be completed soon so that I too may enjoy the comfort in your house on coming to Raichur. For purification of blood, give the child half a cup of warm water mixed with half lemon's juice and little common salt, to drink on empty stomach. If you mix honey instead of salt it will be still more beneficial. Blessings to children.

I shall write one new matter; Shri Narayan Rao was to come here from Gulbarga on the 27th or 28th but could not come due to some reason. Now, he will be reaching between the 8th and 10th. He had written : "Please inform if you will be present." I had written that I shall be found present and further on I had written this sentence; "your condition warrants you to be here." He had written in reply to it that : "This sentence shocked me very much". I did not take it ill. It has done him good in having received the shock. But till now I had thought that I know very little English. Now, I have come to know that there are many among my associates also who know very little English. Therefore now, I have no complaint that I know very little English. And he needs extra hard work from me. I had told you about him when I was at Raichur.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 178 Shahjahanpur
No. C-384/SRCM Dated : 25-09-1968

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. I was happy to read it. I am not at all in favour of the proposal put by the sanyasis to construct Peace Centre on the roof of the *Ashram* building at Hyderabad. Reject it totally. There is enough peace in our *Ashram*; therefore we do not need any peace centre to be established there. Let them open their peace centre where there is necessity of peace because the peace of our *Ashram* will be disturbed by opening it here. Nothing other than Shri Ram Chandra Mission can function in our *Ashram*. You refuse it totally. This is my final decision. Write immediately to Kumaraswamy that never to let the peace centre settle upon his head and not to permit it in any way whatsoever. I am surprised how you consented for the establishment of peace centre. Legal problems can also arise in it and it may lead to lawsuits in future from which we people run miles away.

Your present condition is that of the *Vision of the Absolut*e which is called the condition of *Wasl* (means union) in the Sufi terminology. But Brother, God knows what all things are there after this. It is in the hands of God to give progress further than this.

I will not be able to go to Davanagere; whenever you get an opportunity, you go there instead of me. M.D. Jahagirdar's letter had come in which he had written that the program has to be sent one-and-half months in advance to get complimentary passes; but the difficulty is that the new timetable has not come as yet. I am again writing to Mahajan of Delhi today. I had mentioned before the Deputy Minister for Railways also that I shall be able to send the program after the receipt of the new timetable.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S.: Ayalreddy and Shivalingappa are staying with me. I have found such grossness in them that I have not been able to remove it till now and I have to do the same in almost every case but they become as before after a few days. Then how to give them further progress? They practice method of cleaning daily but there seems to be no benefit. You alone think as to what mistake they commit and then give them instructions accordingly.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 179 Shahjahanpur
No. C-529/SRCM Dated : 07-11-1968

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. This time *Ashram* shall definitely be built here. When God has given land (site), He shall also get it built. I have got 1st class railway passes and they have been received also. Kasturi will be coming along with me. I want to send her to Raichur from Hyderabad. I do not want to keep her during the tour of Bidar and Gulbarga. If you return to Raichur from Hyderabad, I shall send her along with you. And she will be staying only at your house. She will get more comfort there. My routine of stay there will be same as it was last year, i.e., with Vital Rao during the day time and with you during nights.

Examination of Umesh is over today. This is the last chance for the chartered accountant's course. Till now, he has been remaining short by two or three marks for passing in any subject. Pray for his success and God will grant it.

Nowadays, Kumaraswamy is on leave (preparatory to retirement). He has asked me, "If I have to go to Madras, I may be informed so that I may start

sending the luggage in phases and if I am to stay in Hyderabad, I may be informed accordingly." He cannot pay rent for the house after his retirement. I feel that he may be put up in the building, which is being constructed above the *Ashram* and he should do the work of the Mission there. If a person is available all the time in the *Ashram*, the public will be benefited more and he is a very good preceptor and his approach is now in the Central Region. His stay there will be good in all respects and he will do the work of the Mission with diligence. I have also written to him a letter, a copy of which is being sent to you. I will also inform C. Raghavendra Rao that I wish it to be so and he may be put up there.

The problem about the harmony between husband and wife, which you have written is such a one that even Socrates and others could not solve it. The wife of Socrates was very short tempered. And he willfully wanted to marry such a woman. When his disciples asked him, "Why did you do so?", he replied, "I did it so that the habit of tolerance may develop." More often, I have read somewhere and have also seen at some place, the higher the status of a saint, the more short tempered his wife will be. This is not an absolute rule. But it is generally seen like this only. I am myself an example of it, as also our Lalaji Sahab. And some other Brother disciples of Master had the same complaint. This is all for consolation. Now, I shall come to the real issue. First, tell me as to how much time it took for your own transformation although you were very good and I too wanted it quickly. If you need bad persons, search for them among good ones. If you want to make a list of fools, search for them among the wise. When the *Purusha* is at his level, wife too will remain at her level. Here the word *Purusha* means man and it is not used in the scriptural sense. But the situation is that *Purusha* has taken the position of Prakriti. To restore the balance, it becomes necessary for the *Prakriti* to take up the position of Purusha. And then, as you know, when her position is that of *Purusha* she will play the same role which would be played by the *Purusha*, i.e., to attain the command over *Prakriti* in every way; either by way of harsh language or in some other way. Now, I have certainly told you the fact but the venerable ones and saints do not pay much attention towards this; and they prefer to lead a shameless life by becoming a

sort of inverted smooth pot. That which I have told you earlier was for the common worldly persons and the above sentence shows the status of saints. For you, I would say, "Why don't you gradually bring in the transformation of *bahu* (your wife) so that she may realise her status".

If the times do not go with you, you should try to get along with it so that you may get rid of the trouble. When all the holes, which produce tunes in the flute are closed, it will give out only one sound. I am anyway coming there now. I have written a brief letter. If you want to tell or ask anything further, I am anyway coming over there. You alone decide about Vital Rao.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 180 Shahjahanpur
No. C-89/SRCM Dated : 24-02-1969

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your cheerful letter. I could not reply it for long. Reason is the same laziness and absence of the clerk during this period. In principle, I have made you unhappy due to delay in reply, let me make you more happy than that. First of all I congratulate you for the fact that your *Laya Avastha in Brahm* (absorbency in *Brahm*) has commenced on the 11th of February 69 at 08.25 a.m. All this is due to the Grace of Revered Lalaji Sahab; otherwise a saint of such caliber is found once in hundreds of years. And it is the speciality of His

training only that there can be many such persons at a given time. If such two dozen persons who have attained this condition can be had and if they preach and propagate in different parts of India, spirituality will develop in every part of India within 20 years. But, Brother, no doubt I have got the courage that I can make millions of such persons by the Power and Grace of Lalaji Sahab, but I do not get men. Someone is busy reciting the name of 'Ram', while other is busy reciting *Mantra*. Someone else turns the string of beads while walking around and thinks, "I am doing a great worship." They do not understand that incorrect practice leads to wrong path. There is no bar for going to temple but people go to temples and return leaving God there itself and come back home blank as they were. We have become degenerated to such an extent that I have seen with my own eyes a man worshipping a drain channel. And every man who does any sort of *Puja* for two hours thinks himself to be a great devotee. They want to worship their God who is like themselves. If a farmer goes to an imperial palace he will not like diamonds and jewels; but, if a plough is kept there he will see and appreciate that alone. I will tell you a very good point. You may be knowing it also and I too might have told it several times. Those who do all these external *Pujas* and practices, they begin them with ego or *Ahamkar*. The basis of that is *Ahamkar*. And they feel, "I have done good *Puja* today." In short, such people proceed with *Ahamkar*. And Shri Ram Chandra Mission proceeds with Divinity and attains realization by its power alone. Well, I have blabbered enough, now I come to the main issue. But before that I tell you a reasonable thing. I have now the right to ask *Guru Dakshina* (homage to Master) from you. It is not that you may send whatever you like but you should give whatever I ask for. Well, I shall write to you again about it. And if you ponder over it, you will find out what I want. Well, whatever I want I shall write some other time. Write to me whatever you feel about the present condition and do not harbor doubt in the beginning itself, and say, "I do not know whether I will be able to describe it correctly or not." Tell me where you feel the vibrations, whether they are mild or intense, I am asking this for my experience because it is my good fortune that at least one or two persons have come who have this experience.

One more good news is that you have created cooperation in Sarnad and I have taken him in the special training. Jahagirdar also has shown some signs which give the feeling of higher progress but those signs have become little dull nowadays and what may be the reason, is not known.

A letter of Shri Ramchandra Vineet has come from Dharwad saying that he did not receive any benefit from Sai Baba and that he wants to join the Mission again. It is more than a month since I received the letter. I have not replied him as yet. “One who has strayed in the morning is not called as such, if he returns in the evening.” Write to him, on my behalf, that he may join again and that he should meet the nearest preceptor soon. And the best thing would be that he meets you. You have asked me to give provisional permission to Shri S. Ramkrishna Rao. Is he the same gentleman who has been initiated at his house? I am not able to remember his form. If he is the same person, as far as I remember I had prepared him to some extent at Raichur mistaking him to be someone else. It is very good that you have begun to write a book. And you shall certainly write well. It is good that construction of the *Ashram* has commenced. May God give abundantly for the work.

I have got no typist with me since many months. I shall send a copy of the resolution when I get a typist.

I have definitely attained 70 years of age and I too was not aware that I have become seventy years old. I was considering myself to be sixty nine. Do not worry about this. I have come alive and I shall go alive only. There is no question of dying at all. You know that I am continuing in the life span which is transferred by somebody else to me, therefore I do not know as to how long I am going to live. You might be remembering the incidence of Allahabad that I had transferred my entire life leaving about six months.

People come here and forget something. Likewise, the same thing happened this time also; and nobody has even written to me. Some gentleman

has forgotten a pant with 'Raichur' written on it. Does it belong to Srikanthaih by any chance? If you can find out whose it is, write to me so that I may send it.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 181 Shahjahanpur
No. C-221/SRCM Dated : 05-04-1969

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. After conveying blessing, this is to inform you that as per your suggestion, I have given provisional permission to Shri S.Ramkrishna Rao on 3rd of April 1969. Write to him to begin his work of *Satsang* and communicate to him the necessary instructions. I am going to Lucknow tomorrow (Sunday). My younger sister has called me for some urgent work. It may probably take three days. After coming from there, I shall reply to your letter and will also send you the certificate issued to Shri Ramkrishna Rao.

I have sent Shri Kumaraswamy into Central Region. Now, he has requested me to try to create the *Laya Avastha in Brahm*, which is entirely in the hands of God. Still rings are there to be crossed which, if crossed in a natural way and if the *abhyasi* has enough love, takes 21 years.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 182 Shahjahanpur
No. C-435/SRCM Dated : 14-05-1969

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I am going to Madras on some work today. I shall reach there on the morning of 17-5-69 by the G.T.Express and will stay there for a week.

I had sent you a letter in which I had written that I had given provisional permission to Shri S. Ramkrishna Rao on the 3rd of April 69. I have not received the reply to it, are you in receipt of it or not? I shall send the certificate afterwards.

I shall be going to Assam on the 6th of June 69 after my return (from Madras) and return will be on 21st of June 69. I did not receive complimentary passes for Assam this time.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 183 Shahjahanpur
No. C-867/SRCM Dated : 17-09-1969

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received all your letters. From 17th October 69 to 28th October 69, I am on tour of two districts of Nepal and three nearby districts like Bahraich, etc. Hence you may come much before or afterwards. Since two weeks, stomach pain has increased a lot. A local doctor is treating me. But the medicine has not been of much help. If it remains in tolerable limit then I will go, otherwise I shall postpone the journey. Hope I will be alright before that time. The Kannada books which are under print need not be sent to me. Their review as far as possible may be got done in newspapers so that the sales may improve and the ideology may spread. Please start writing the book which you wanted to write. God will help. I want the literature of the Mission to increase to such an extent that one may not be able to read it completely in one's life span. But all the literature should be First Class and should be on *Sahaj Marg*. In this regard, Sarnadji may be of good help. I have sent Sarnadji and Kumaraswamy in Central Region. Further training after this is under your care. This I have informed to both of them and even to you already. This way you will develop courage for higher training. In this whenever you transmit, concentrate on the region and go on reading it. One or two minutes' transmission usually suffices. Transmission should be very light so that no ring may get excited.

I wanted to write more about the training in this region and add it to Part-II (of preceptor's manual). But I have become so lazy and weak that I do not feel like doing any work. But by God's grace for the work which concerns me, there will be no deficiency. You keep on informing me when you start working in Central Region; I will go on clarifying about it.

I hope that meeting at Bidar might have been good and people might have pondered over the system of *Sahaj Marg*. Shri Gopal Raoji had come and after staying for 4-5 days, he went back. This year South India tour may be possible in summer days because Robert Koch from Germany and Poray from France are coming in winter season and may stay here for two weeks each. Henceforth we will not be able to get (railway) complimentary passes because the railway minister has stopped all this. Hence possibly there can be only two persons with me during the journey of south India. Because of my weakness, I feel lot of discomfort during the journey; especially in III class compartment since I have to sit in one posture only. I get tired. Many a time pain starts. Well, I have to take work from this body somehow either with comfort or discomfort. *Sahaj Marg Philosophy* is already printed in our press. In about 15 days, good number of bound copies will be available. Its index has become very lengthy. It will be nearly 24 pages.

Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

P. S. : Chetty Sahab and his wife stayed here for about 15 days. I have given full permission to both of them. And judge Sahab of Allahabad was here for a week. With great difficulty I have put him in Central Region.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 184 Shahjahanpur
No. C-884/SRCM Dated : 24-09-1969

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your cheerful letter. Prior to this I had sent a letter bearing No.C-867 dated 17-09-69. You might have received it. Pain has subsided to some extent. Now, it is decided to go to Nepal on 17th October. This time I would be able to go up to Nepalgunj only. It is in Nepal. I will not be able to go to Kathmandu because due to rains the airways are closed up to 15th November 69. The aerodrome is under construction which is waterlogged. This side (in India) Bahraich and nearby places will be visited. I will return by 24th October. Thereafter you can come. I will be glad.

I forgot to write one thing regarding your meeting where all preceptors were present. Please keep it in your mind for the next meeting. That thing is; how to spread the Mission? And who will volunteer for this work? And what a preceptor should do? Secondly, the organisation; in this, whatever is to be done i.e., the guidance should come in writing and necessary instructions may be passed on to the workers. And they should also send reports about their work to the in-charge. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 185 Shahjahanpur
No. C-949/SRCM Dated : 04-10-1969

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your cheerful letter. I am happy that you

are coming here on 24th October. If I am informed about the exact date and time, I may possibly join you in the same train from Lucknow to Shahjahanpur. You have asked for 50 copies of *Sahaj Marg Philosophy*, I have sent them by railway parcel and in that 10 copies are kept for Shri Vital Raoji. Pre-publication price of the same has been sent by Vital Raoji. Also I have made the railway receipt in the name of Vital Raoji. This is because you may be somewhere else by the time the parcel reaches Raïchur. Railway receipt number is as follows. Receipt number 864573 dated 01-10-69 is being sent to your address. You may hand over the same to him so that he may arrange to get the parcel from railway station. Yesterday evening Shri Ayalreddy and three *satsangis* have come and Shri Narayanswamy of Madras, his wife and his daughter are already here. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 186 Shahjahanpur
No. C-969/SRCM Dated : 14-10-1969

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your cheerful letter. A letter from Srikanthaih is also received. You need not wait for me at Lucknow station on 24th October 69. I will come here on 23rd October 69 by mail, which reaches Shahjahanpur in the evening. If there is any problem, I will come on 24th evening. Here also, I have to arrange for your comforts.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 187 Shahjahanpur
No. C-1123/SRCM Dated : 10-12-1969

My Raghavendra Rao,

God give you long life. Received both of your letters. Reply to first letter is that whatever Shri Ramchandra Reddy has given, keep it for use, otherwise he will feel bad. I had told him in a Brotherly way that the bridegroom's people demand tens of thousands and how will Raghavendra Rao be able to give so much. And the purpose of my telling was the same as has come before you. May God give him progress day by day. By the Grace of God, he will get in this very year more than what he has given for this good cause.

The thought to quit the world which has arisen is a sort of weakness. And this is a kind of feminine thought. When women become very happy with their husbands, they often say this from their heart and mouth. This has no importance. Now I shall come to the second letter quoting a verse to please you.

"Jal ke apani aag me khud surate parvana ham;

Ban gaye ham rista e khak dar jana na ham."

"Having burnt like a moth in my own fire;
I did not know when I became the dust of the door of the beloved."

This very initiation is the only method to establish immediate connection with God; otherwise it takes a lot of time. What can I say when people do not realise its importance? And they do not even think about this after initiation. I get such a great responsibility that I cannot leave him. When he spoils himself, my condition becomes like that of a fish out of water. In one case, it was only after suffering for one long year that I could get permission to break the initiation; and over and above that I got rebukes from my Revered Master as a profit and rightly also. In fact, I wish (to initiate) but I become helpless due to the above reasons. At least, every trainer should be initiated because the power gets doubled. The person should be well tested and should be dedicated to the Mission. You alone can decide this.

Rajagopalachari has now reached Bagdad during sight seeing tour. He has done very good work. Some Europeans want to come here but Mr. Andre Poray wants to call them to Madras and wants me also to go there. I am sending a copy of the letter which I have written to Ramkrishna Chetty in order to avoid writing all those things again. I am sending a revised list of initiated members. Send a copy to each of the initiated members. I shall be sending names of those who will get initiated in future. I have sent them to some places also. Probably, I have sent the list to Sedam and Gulbarga. Send it to persons of your centre. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : After I reach Madras, I will be in a position to write as to which places I will be able to visit and the program shall be prepared there only.

Blessings to children.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 188 Shahjahanpur
No. C-403/SRCM Dated : 23-04-1970

My Raghavendra Rao,

God give you long life. My visit to Vijayawada stands postponed. Shri M.D. Jahagirdar will be coming here on 29th April 1970. Marriage of my son Umesh is fixed at Moradabad. The date of marriage is 23rd of May 1970. The girl is good and the family is also good.

I am happy to know that the marriage of Vasanthi is on 21st of May 70. May God conclude it gracefully. A certified copy of the registration of the Mission has been sent to you yesterday. Hope it has been received. The plan of the Ashram has not yet come. Probably engineer Chavan, of Gulbarga might have sent it to Sethji at Mumbai. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 189 Shahjahanpur
No. C-17/SRCM Dated : 07-01-1971

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. I wanted you to be with me for some days. Keep your program of coming here confirmed. If I go to Madras, I

shall be back on 12th or 14th February, provided Mr. Andre Poray is at Madras during those dates. He is coming here on the 19th of January 71 and will stay here till 22nd of January. Then after visiting Banaras, he shall again come here on 31st of January or 1st of February. Then it will be decided as to when I will be going to Madras and whether I would go there at all. Come here unhesitatingly on your planned dates. You will find me here. The people of Hyderabad are inviting me. But Brother, I feel somewhat tired now to move about because of old age. Therefore, I sometimes fancy air travel and sometimes I dream of first class; in short, I imagine a lot but remain fixed to the chair only. I do not even feel like moving. If you inform me in advance, I shall send somebody to the (railway) station for your convenience. And even if you cannot inform, both of you know the home. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 190 Shahjahanpur
No. C-94/SRCM Dated : 10-01-1971

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received the letter. You know that I have also broken the limitation of the work, which I have entrusted to you. Therefore, you can work better than others. Give up your slackness. If you feel lazy, drink tea. I have given you this work saving time you used to devote for meditation. Of course, you need to sit in meditation occasionally by which lightness is created and laziness is also reduced. You know that I have decided to go to European countries towards the end of April or in the beginning of May. And I may have to

go to America too because some *satsangis* have started there. Narayana, son of doctor Sahab, had been to America on behalf of the Rotarians and he has done good work there.

A Greek who had started living in Cairo had met me in Madras about an year ago and had felt very much satisfied. He has now reached Australia where he is going to reside now. He has promised to do the work of the Mission and I am certain that he will do it whole heartedly. He has been given provisional permission.

For the Mission's work whomsoever you feel deserving you can make him an organizer. The Mission will spread fast by arranging meetings at places. You have written that there are hundreds of Brothers in villages who wish to join the Mission. I have also issued instructions which have been printed. They might be with you. Read them. The persons must be educated having good capacity to understand.

This method is not understood by villagers. And it requires much hard work to be done on them. Moreover, they do not leave their habits which are prevalent in the rural areas. It should not so happen that one of them may become the cause of disgrace to us. And every such thing can be expected of villagers. Of course, there is no bar to take one who has got burning desire. By the Grace of Lalaji, the Mission is now in such a position that you should keep the quality more in view and quantity thereafter. It does not mean that the *Satsang* should not be spread, but good and educated persons may be taken in. Now, you will get good number of quality persons also. Times are changing in our favour now. Mainly we need publicity, concerning aims and teachings of the Mission.

I forgot to write one thing. You should do the cleaning of yourself for 10-20 minutes sometimes, because when you work in the grossness, it may affect you too. And this is necessary for every preceptor.

Some Italians, some Danish and one or two from other countries will be coming to me in November. I wanted to attend the marriage of my niece and which is necessary also. But now I will not be able to participate, although they need me very much. I am sending all the children and the daughter-in-law.

I find a lot of grossness in *satsangis* who come to me. No doubt, partly the fault lies with them also, but preceptors cannot be freed from this blame. I think that many of the *satsangis* have not at all understood the method of cleaning and are doing it in a wrong way. I have explained the method at almost every centre. You too keep on telling wherever it is necessary. In this regard I have not found any effect of their efforts. It is a pity that such an easy method and even the educated persons do not understand it.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 191 Shahjahanpur
No. C-326/SRCM Dated : 24-06-1971

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. It is a matter of great delight that my son Umesh is blessed with a son on 20th of June. The mother and baby are safe. All is well here. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 192 Shahjahanpur
No. C-353/SRCM Dated : 02-07-1971

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. Jahagirdar's letter has been received today from Madras. Now, he might have returned to Channapatna.

The mother and the baby are safe there. He had written about some influence of an "evil eye upon the baby." It might have got alright now. I am worried to hear about Vasanthi's condition. I have begun to do whatever I can do, like prayer etc. May God restore her health soon. And write about her condition in your next letter.

Thanks to Lalaji Sahab! All this is His work only that all get benefitted, and Brother, merit is given to me. The fact is I do not have any sight of my own. All this is His kindness only. I have already surrendered it to Him. The arrow is darted from the bow and the praise is given to the archer.

All will be glad to hear that the thesis on *Sahaj Marg*, which Pandit Prem Sagar of Lakhimpur Kheri has submitted, has been accepted and a Doctorate degree has been conferred on him. *Sahaj Marg Philosophy* has now been established. Inform this in your gathering. They will be happy.

What you have written about sensuousness is a secret of Reality, which I have not opened out. I am giving just a hint. Still I shall try to create a better form of it so that it may not pinch you. Sometimes, abdominal pain increases, partly

because of my improper food habits and secondly the pressure of work continues to be there. People come spending so much, then how is it possible for me to remain without working on them? Of course, it is definite that people do not want to give me rest at all, although the secretary has published in the *Patrika* that from 11th to 20th of each month shall be resting period for me. Brother, I would certainly like to mention one thing here that some people project their selfishness as their love and this complaint I have more with the North Indians.

My son Sarvesh has failed in B.Sc. I feel very sorry for it. May God give him success next time.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 193 Shahjahanpur
No. C-63/SRCM Dated : 28-10-1971

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. While I was at Bijapur some persons of Solapur had met me there. They are good persons. You will have to spread the *Satsang* there (at Solapur). The meeting, which you had held at Yadgir had really been very successful. Of course, you would be inviting the public whenever you hold the meetings so that the ideas may spread and the people may know the Mission.

I do not get more than two-three hours at a stretch to do the work. Marriage of the daughter of my cousin Brother is on 21st November 71, which is in Mainpuri. And since I am the eldest one in the family it was obligatory for me to go. But I will not be able to attend it because the people from West would be arriving on those dates. The children will definitely go.

Narayana, son of Dr. K.C.Varadachari has returned from America. He has done good work there and some members have also increased there. Rajagopalachari could not go because he is suffering from jaundice. His son, Parthasarathy had been on company work. He has done very good work. A centre has almost been opened in Australia. A Greek is going to settle down there. He is an *abhyasi* duly permitted by me. Even I am applying for a passport now. Your work, with which you have been entrusted, for the West is going at a very slow pace. I have given this to Kasturi also. She has done good work. You too are required to do the work in good manner. I have given you the entire world (for work) and she has been given only the West (for work). Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 194 Shahjahanpur
No. C-114/SRCM Dated : 15-11-1971

Dear Brother,

Blessings. Received your cheerful letter. The parcel containing garland sent in the hands of Rajaram by you is received. The date of marriage is 21st November 1971. My sons Sarvesh and Prakash were suffering from fever. Today fever has come down. I am sending Prakash and his wife with children to Mainpuri on 18th November. They had invited me to come there two weeks

before but I am not able to go over there, although it is very much necessary, as they have no elderly person there other than me. Reason for this is, four Danish people, among them there is a girl also, are coming here and they have written that they are going to stay here for three weeks. The Mission's work is utmost necessary. Hence Mission's work has been given preference over personal work. A draft of Rs.1000/- is received, a receipt of the same is enclosed. Dr.Varadachari's daughter Gayatri's marriage is on 21st November; may God conclude it happily. You are already aware that at the end of April or beginning of May 1972, I am going to Western countries. I am applying for a passport. Many details in the application are required to be furnished, which takes time.

At present, there are three Hindustani *abhyasis* in America. They are persuading me to come to America. I have made up my mind. May God keep my health in good condition. Dr. Varadachari's son Narayana went to America as a Rotarian and has done good work. About six persons have become *abhyasis*. Among them one woman is a Vice-Chancellor of some University. She is quite attached to the Mission and doing good work. She wants to come here also. I have given permission for working to one Hindustani *abhyasi*, who is a resident of Meerut. I am going to give provisional permission to one more abhyasi who is a South Indian very soon. I think, the work in America will commence. One centre is already opened in Australia; a person who will stay in Australia has also been prepared. Blessings to children.

With blessings, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 195 Shahjahanpur
No. C-243/SRCM Dated : 21-12-1971

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. I have applied for passport. It is likely to come soon. There is no visa for America but permission has to be obtained. *Satsangis* of that place have to apply that they are inviting and that they will bear the local expenses. Almost the same difficulty is there in London. Well, that task will be done anyhow. I am sure of it. *Abhyasis* having burning desire are rarely found. However, Preceptors must be ensuring that the *abhyasi* really wants to realise God. And this is enough. When they get the taste, they won't be prepared to part; this is the grace of God. To the extent possible people should be admitted after knowing about them.

Preference will always be there for the educated, provided they want to realise God. I have become very much sensitive at my age. Therefore, even the smallest thing, which is against etiquette pricks me. In the Mission, there is no dearth of those who touch the feet but there is definitely a dearth of the etiquette and morals. And the greatest deficiency which I find is that they don't consider the Mission as their own and nor do they consider the house of this insignificant being as their own. I will tell a very easy method; if people practise this, many things can be rectified. If a person observes whether his action is becoming a cause of pain to others and then acts according to its answer, all things will be set right. You are doing well that you are conducting meetings at various places. The Mission will spread quickly by this. You are doing good work and it is having effect. You know that I have broken your limitations. Apart from it, there is definitely much power in you, I assure you of this. Then why and how did you get this weak thought, which you have written thus, "probably the connection between my doing and the happening of that which has to happen, is equal to naught." Banish this thought immediately.

This year *Basant Panchami Utsav* will be from 20th to 22nd morning of

January 1972. Inform this to the centres under you and at other places where there are *abhyasi* Brothers so that they may participate. I am glad that you will be participating. You are needed very much in the organisational committee this time because this is the first meeting in which all of you will decide about the program of work for the future. I often remember Shri Vital Raoji; will he also come? I will be happy if he comes provided his work allows him.

An American and an Englishman and a lady from Denmark are staying with me at present. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 196 Shahjahanpur
No. C-585/SRCM Dated : 11-04-1972

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. One letter of yours had come. I do not remember what was written in it. Well, whatever was there (in it) was anyway alright. There was something about meeting also written in it. It is really necessary to have meetings and also the publicity as much as possible.

"Gold is appreciated only when it comes out of the mine. The ruby reaches its value after leaving Badakhshan (a place in Afghanistan)".

Not many but 4 to 6 foreigners stayed here since 10th November 1971 and the last person left only yesterday. All go satisfied from here and they often weep

also in love. Now, let us see what happens there. But when the grace of Guru Maharaj is flowing, it will do good there also. One or two persons from London have even sent letters asking questions and have given me the good news that they have even kept some questions reserved for me there also. All the questions which were asked here have been answered. They want the answers to be scientific. I have not studied science. Another trouble is that I have not surrendered to philosophy. If at all I have surrendered, I have surrendered to Him alone and after which science begins. God knows, what sort of scientific inventions are these that even when a finger gets caught into them, if not the entire hand, at least that finger will certainly be cut. And people compel me to give answers to their questions scientifically. They have even contradicted my thought at some place, but now by the Grace of Guru Maharaj, the reply has been given quite suitably and he cannot but be satisfied. Another thing which I have found is that the people write 'personal and confidential', even in their ordinary letters. Therefore, I have not made those letters public. But my reply is not confidential and it is useful for all; hence a person with a hat has to be consulted to publish it (reply) in the *Patrika*, by omitting names.

Now, I come to the point; I have entrusted you with some duty. You might have received the tour program. I want you to be not less busy than me, when I am there. I once again write for the sake of your confidence that I have broken the required limitation and I can see the effect of the work which you have done up till now and there is hope of its better effect further on. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : I have decided that I should come directly to Madras while returning from the West and that I take up (to visit) some centres, which are necessary, including yours too.

Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 197 Shahjahanpur
No. C-798/SRCM Dated : 29-08-1972

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Very sorry to hear the news of the sad demise of Shri Gunde Rao's wife. I have also written a letter of condolence to him. We are helpless before the will of God. Dr. Shyam Rao should perform his duty well and I hope he is doing it also. But I did not like the MLA going against him without any reason, especially his remarks as to why he had gone to Shahjahanpur and why he does group meditation, were still worse. Well, He who is the Judge of the world will manage it Himself. We should pray for the welfare of Dr. Sahab. Man is so deeply drowned in his own intoxication that he is not even aware of what he is doing to himself. Rebukes of the office should remain limited to office only. The very meaning of the officer is that the work in the office should go on in a proper manner.

It is a very sad thing that new born child of Vasanthi expired.

The date of the centenary is fixed on 25-02-1973 at Madras. All of you should reach there. The *Basant* is on 07-02-1973 here. Those who cannot afford the expenses of going to two places should certainly go to Madras. Of course, they are welcome here also. And *Satsang* for 3 days will be conducted there also as is done here. All of us have to help in every way to make it a success.

The pain is still giving me trouble. The state organisers are sitting there for name sake only. There is no suggestion forthcoming from anybody as to what

they have to do and none has begun to do anything. Pay attention towards the organisation. Of course, you are doing the work, which I have entrusted to you. But the force is less. Therefore, you think yourself as to what deficiency is there in you. Start again the practice of your own cleaning. I too occasionally do it. Go on working with interest. And this is necessary and indispensable. Blessings to Children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 198 Shahjahanpur
No. C-762/SRCM Dated : 03-05-1973

Registered Post

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter and the good news that marriages of both daughters have been decided simultaneously gave me great pleasure and there is also the *Upanayanam* alongside. I am sending a very small amount of Rs.200/- which you may spend for the girls as you deem it fit and eleven rupees are for the *Upanayanam*. May God conclude these marriages gracefully and may the boys and girls be happy and cheerful. It was possible that I could have attempted to participate in these marriages but foreign guests are staying here who will be here for some more time.

Secondly, I have commenced the construction work of Ashram from 19th of April, taking the name of God, in which various kinds of problems crop up, which will all be set right, by the grace of God. I am sending along with this letter one Bank

Draft for Rs.211/- the number of which is S 606160 dated 2nd May 1973.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 199 Shahjahanpur
No. C-1109/SRCM Dated : 08-08-1973

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. Whatever work of *Satsang* you have done is alright. I wanted to reach Calcutta on 07-09-1973. But since you will be coming here, I have now fixed it on 14th or 15th September. And I have informed accordingly to Calcutta people also. Therefore you all may come comfortably and may stay with me.

Here also the work of the *Ashram* is proceeding in a crippled way. Now, its estimate has increased to above 3 lakh of rupees. I did not know that so much money will be needed for it. All materials are becoming costlier. I got cement directly from the factory.

Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : Inform about the date of your arrival.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 200 Shahjahanpur
No. C-1185/SRCM Dated : 21-08-1973

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your affectionate letter. I am happy that you all are coming. You want an *Ashram* should be constructed in Bangalore. There is a resolution of the Executive Committee that until the *Ashram* at Shahjahanpur is completed, no other *Ashram* shall be constructed. It is compulsory for all of us to comply with it. You may collect funds because it takes a lot of time for it. It had taken 10 years for me; still funds are needed. If there were two Gods, none could have had Realisation. Similarly, if the construction of two *Ashrams* which still need funds, commences at the same time, the thought will get diverted; the result will be that both will remain incomplete. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 201 Shahjahanpur
No. C-45/SRCM Dated : 09-01-1974

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. This year the *Basant Panchami Utsav* will be from 27th to 29th January, 1974. All of you are invited to participate and inform all (*satsangis*) in your zone to participate. I have written to Sarnadji also. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 202 Shahjahanpur
No. 513/SRCM Dated : 01-03-1976

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. A telegram from Gunde Rao Patwari/Shivade has come from Bidar, a copy of which I am sending to you and I have sent its reply to Shri Ram Shastry and I am sending its copy also. I had received a letter from Gunde Rao Patwari/ Shivade long before the telegram, in which he had complained about the asthma and some other related trouble is actually his problem.

I feel sorry to say that people come to you and me to get training in *Brahm Vidya* (spirituality) and try to pressurise us to rectify their diseases and worldly problems. What are we, when even the *Avatars* (Divine Incarnations) were also not free from troubles. They (such persons) should go to some such places where they can get rid of the troubles and can become healthy. Such experiences are occurring to you, to me and to all.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 203 Shahjahanpur
No. C-1008/SRCM Dated : 17-08-1976

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter and that of Vital Rao too. I am writing the same reply to both of you. You people need not worry now. I have sent the application for exemption to Lucknow and I am quite hopeful that this work will be done. Now, you people need not take any action in this matter. In case something happens and your help becomes necessary, I will immediately inform you people. A statement has also to be submitted here which will be submitted on behalf of the Mission only. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P.S. : After getting a copy of the ordinance from Lucknow, I will send it to you. From Madras, a letter of Parthasarathy has come, a copy of which is sent to you. Read it carefully and send your opinion here and to Madras.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 204 Shahjahanpur
Dated : 23-03-1977

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. *Satsangis* of France want to convene a meeting in the second or the third week of May, in which all preceptors of European countries wish to participate. In this, Kasturi Chaturvedi has also been invited from India. All the expenses of two persons, including airfare, etc., shall be borne by the *satsangis* there.

I shall go to Delhi by car on 28th of March and will reach Madras from Delhi by the evening of 30th of March. From there I shall proceed to Malaysia and two other places on 6th of April. I shall return to Madras on 23rd of April 1977. The associates have requested me to go to Madurai on 30th of April from there. From there I shall leave for Shahjahanpur on 2nd or 3rd of May.

There should be a person along with Kasturi, who can translate from English to Urdu so that Kasturi may answer in Hindi. Can you get leave? It will only take one week there and 14 hours more in travel. Parthasarathy is going along with me therefore he cannot accompany her. I want to send a man of good calibre along with Kasturi so that the people there may take good impression of him also. Hence, you are more suitable for it. Send your reply to this to my Madras address soon. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 205 Shahjahanpur
No. 528/SRCM Dated : 17-12-1977

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. I am satisfied to read it. The work is to be done by all joining and sharing together. It shall be done. But I have selected five persons out of the *topmost* abhyasis who are with me. Their names are as follows:

Shri Raghavendra Rao, Gulbarga.
Shri P. Rajagopalachari, Madras.
Shri S. A. Sarnad, Gulbarga.
Shri Devaram H. Chavda, Navsari.
Dr. S. P. Srivastava, Lakhimpur.

The power to work is there with them and they will also continue to get it as per the need. Only the thought that they have to do this work should be there in their hearts. Then they will get the help in their work by this thought also. All of them have got to increase enthusiasm to work. The enthusiasm increases by doing the work and by maintaining the attachment with it. All will be receiving guidance. And it is necessary to work together in harmony.

The suggestion which you have given about the need of publishing names of the working committee members in the *Patrika* seems to be good. I have also written to Brother Parthasarathy of Madras to prepare a draft for the President's Council. You and Sarnadji both together prepare a draft so that discussions may be held on it at the time of the *Utsav*.

Dr. Suraj Prasad has written and sent the outlines about the Council. I am sending a copy of it to you. I am happy that Chetty Sahab considers all of us as his own. He is, of course, a man of affection. There is no doubt in it. This year *Basant Panchami Utsav* is from 06.30 a.m. on 11th February 1978 till 07.30 a.m. on 13th February 1978. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

Dr. S. P. Srivastava's Note :

The President's Council nominated by Shri Babuji is expected to serve as a Compact Body, enshrining the whole spirit of *Sahaj Marg*. Its main function is to lighten the President's burden of cares and responsibilities on both the organisational and spiritual scores. This is possible only when the members of this body, like Revered Shri Babuji Himself, become totally oblivious of privilege functions and serve as living flames embodying and reflecting the spirit of service and sacrifice through the Grace of Master. This can come by way of natural surrender (*Sahaj Samarpan*) perfectly exemplified in Shri Babuji's routine of living and functioning.

The members, like various limbs of a body may be distinguished but never separated from one another. They are automatically harmonised so as to be characterised as 'one in all' and 'all in one'. The limbs are of the body while body is for the soul and the soul is in the Master Supreme. Reversely the body is nothing but the limbs in union, the soul is a part of nor apart from the body and Master Supreme is reflected in but not exhausted by the individual soul which devoid of its individual soul-hood, is indistinguishable from the Master Supreme. This in nutshell out-lines the status and constitution of the President's Council.

S.P. Srivastava

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 206 Shahjahanpur
No. A-291/SRCM Dated : 16-11-1978

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received both of your letters. I am very happy to know that you are doing very good work. And you shall definitely do it well. I too am having your thought continuously. The people there are very good and there are also those who love.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

Give my love to all the *abhyasis* and blessing to all of you.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 207 Shahjahanpur
No. 1168/SRCM Dated : 11-04-1979

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received the letter written by Brother M.D. Jahagirdar on the 7th of April. Man has to undergo various kinds of troubles. This too is an experience, which will be useful in future in the work of the world.

I too am a patient of ulcer. You might have undergone the operation successfully. May God grant quick relief. I shall also pray for your early recovery. There is no need to worry. God is Master. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 208 Shahjahanpur
No. 3230/SRCM Dated : 07-07-1980

Dear Brother,

Blessings. All is well here. Hope you all too are very well. I am remembering you and Sarnadji very much for the last one week. It is very good that you are coming here by (knowing) which I am very happy. If Sarnadji has leisure, let him also come along. Some necessary matters pertaining to Mission are to be discussed. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

P. S. : In Germany, I had a health check-up. All reports turned out to be normal. Occasionally slight pain is felt in the stomach. Now I am recovering without medicine. Physicians there are of the opinion that I should stop taking medicines and increase the intake of food.

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OM TAT SAT

Serial No. 209 Shahjahanpur
No. 4061/SRCM Dated : 13-09-1980

My Raghavendra Raoji,

God give you long life. Received your letter. Noted the contents. It is good that the thing which we people have started should keep on advancing. If we

work wholeheartedly, even the stone will become wax.

The simplest way to give permission is to keep our thought to that side also. First of all, one should be ready to always maintain discipline and to derive benefit from it. And the discipline which is required should always be maintained. Keeping this in view, you may enquire of PR about it. Both of you join together, chalk out the scheme and act accordingly.

It is a good thought that there should be some meetings. This will be very much beneficial. Keeping this in view, I permit you to go to Tinsukia. Send your tour program. Blessings to children.

Well-wisher, Ram Chandra

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GLOSSARY

Abhyas: Practice.

Abhyasi: One who adopts and follows the prescribed course of practice.

Agni: Fire; the fire element or principle.

Allah: Arabic word for God.

Antar Drishti: Inner vision.

Asana: Posture.

Atman: Soul.

Avadhut: Generally revered as elevated souls, but are really persons with spiritual aspirations who have become 'fixed' at a certain level because their development has been arrested.

Ayurvedic: Related to Indian system of medicine.

Bighas: Unit of measurement of area of a land.

Bhakt: Devotee.

Bhoga: Process of undergoing effects of impressions; experience.

Bhoodan: Gift of land.

Brahmanishta: One who is established in *Brahman*.

Brahmacharya: Student phase of life; celibacy, moving about in *Brahman*.

Brahm Lok: World of the Divine.

Brahm Vidya: Knowledge of or about the *Brahman*. The science or discipline concerning the Ultimate Reality.

Brahmand Mandal: Cosmic region; sphere where everything manifests under a subtle shape before taking place in the material world.

Brahma Sutra: Treatise on the knowledge of God.-Sutra means precepts or Maxims or a collection of these.

Chakras: Centre of super-vital forces located in different parts of body; figuratively called lotuses.

Dharma: A term with many applications depending on the context: duty; righteousness; destined way; truth; virtue.

Fana: A spiritual condition, state of mergence.

Ghee: Clarified butter.

Guntapongalu: A pan used for cooking Indian dish which looks like small ball.

Gurubhai: Disciple of same Guru, who is considered as Brother.

Guru Sandesh: Master's message.

Hadis: Principles quoted in Quran.

Hakeem: Physician, medical doctor of *Unani* medicine.

Hath Yoga: A path of yoga for self-realisation through vigorous and rigorous discipline.

Holi: Hindu festival of colours celebrated annually in Spring season.

Ishwar: Determinate Absolute. God as existence endowed of all the most subtle attributes.

Jameela: Actor in a drama.

Janampatri: Horoscope.

Janmashtami: Birthday of Lord Krishna.

Karma: Action.

Kayasthas: A Hindu caste.

Kheer: This is a traditional south Asian sweet dish, made by boiling rice or broken wheat with milk and sugar, etc.

Khub Kalan: Name of a herb.

Kundalini: The spiritual power which is considered coiled like a serpent at the base of the spine – *Mooladhara* plexus.

Mahamaya: Divine subtle energy - great *Maya* or great illusion.

Mahant: A religious superior, in particular the chief priest of a temple or the head of a monastery.

Mahatma: Great soul, saint.

Mahayog: Literally the great yoga; the practice followed by the disciples of sage Ramana Maharshi.

Mantras, Mantram: A sacred sound, word, or phrase.

Manu: Progenitor of mankind and also the very first king to rule this earth, who saved mankind from the universal flood.

Milad-e-Shareef: Birthday of Revered Prophet Mohammed.

Mohammadi: A small town in Lakhimpur Kheri district in the Indian state of Uttar Pradesh.

Munsiff: Presiding Officer of Law Court..

Narad Bhakti Sutra: A well known *rules* venerated within the traditions of Hinduism, purportedly spoken by the famous sage, Narada.

Narayana Tel: A type of medicated oil used in Indian system of medicine for external use.

Nasadeeya Sookta: A hymn of *Rigveda* concerned with cosmology and the origin of the universe.

Nirvan: (Buddhist) Perfect bliss and release from *Karma* attained by extinction of individuality.

Padmasana: A particular posture for meditation.(to sit with crossed legs)

Par Brahmand Mandal: Supra-cosmic region of the mind.

Patrika: Newspaper or periodical.

Prakriti: Nature.

Pind: Material or gross existence, that which exists in the gross or material state. Pitru Paksha: A 16–lunar day period when Hindus pay homage to their ancestors (*Pitru*), especially through food offerings.

Prana: Life, breath.

Pranahuti: Transmission

Pranayam: Yogic breathing exercise.

Prarthana: Prayer.

Puja: (Worship) Meditation

Purusha: Male; personality or entity. In this sense, God is the *Adi-Purusha* or Original Personality.

Quran: Islamic sacred book.

Rickshaw: A mode of human-powered (pulled) transport in which a runner draws a two wheeled cart with seats human-power pulled.

Rishi: Vedic seer who has a direct vision of Reality.

Rishi Rin: The debt to be paid to the seer or saint.

Sadhana: Spiritual practice.

Sadhak: Disciple who practices a sadhana.

Sadhu: Sage.

Sahaja: Natural.

Salam: Salutation, a word for 'peace' in Arabic, often used as a greeting.

Samadhi: Total absorption in meditation.

Sam Veda: One of the four *vedas*, Hindu scripture

Sanyas: Renunciation.

Sanyasi: One who has renounced the world and leads a solitary life of celibacy and asceticism.

Sahaj Samadhi: Conscious state of total inner absorption.

Sanskaras: Mental impressions.

Sanstha: Spiritual organisation; group.

Satchidananda: A compound of three Sanskrit words, *Sat, Chit,* and *Anand* meaning existence, consciousness, and bliss respectively. The expression is used to describe a spiritual state.

Satsang: Association with Reality, a group worship.

Satyarupa: A character in Hindu mythology similar to Eve.

Shabd Om: Original sound, inner vibration within.

Shloka of Jad Bharat of Bhagawata: A stanza from ancient Hindu religious scripture called *Bhagwata.*

Shraadh: A ritual for expressing one's respectful feelings for the ancestors by offering food and water.

Shruti: Revealed *Vedic* knowledge.

Siddhis: Capacity to do miracles; powers.

Upanayanam: Literally meaning 'near sight' is a version of the sacred thread ceremony where the concept of *Brahman* is introduced to a young boy.

Upanishad: *Vedantic* part of the *Vedas (Gnana Kand)*, upanishad means sitting near Master to gain spiritual knowledge.

Vakalatnama: It is an authority by a person to an advocate to conduct proceedings on his behalf in court of law.

Vayu: Air.

Vedas: Ancient Indian scriptures, in which a superior knowledge is revealed.

Vedic Rishis: Composer of *Vedic* hymns. A seer to whom the *Vedas* were originally revealed through states of higher consciousness.

Virat Roop: Cosmic form of God.

Yagnya, yagnyas: Religious rituals, sacrifices.

Yogi: One who practices yoga; one who achieves union with the Absolute.

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Spiritual Journey of Shri Raghavendra Rao

(From Babuji Maharaj's letters)

03.03.1955 : First letter – in this letter Babuji Maharaj tendered his help in spiritual practice.

12.10.1955 : Shri Raghavendra Rao started the practice of meditation.

Oct-1955 : Shri Raghavendra Rao met Shri Babuji Maharaj for the first time in Shahjahanpur.

May-1956 : Second visit to Shahjahanpur. Authorised to work as a preceptor. First branch of the mission at Gulbarga in South India declared open under the supervision of Shri Raghavendra Rao.

27.06.1956 : I have completed your journey of all the points of *Pind*. Now your place of journey is *Brahmand Mandal*.

28.01.1957 : By the grace of God, your journey of *Brahmand Mandal* is over by more than half.

28.07.1957 : It is a pleasure to note that you are experiencing a subtler condition. This is the characteristic feature of *Par Brahmand Mandal.*

13.03.1958 : A happy news for you is that you have crossed a region which I have named as *Mobid Abad* in Persian and have come to (the region of) *Ibd Ul Mobid*.

10.04.1959 : With cautious restraint I write that, you have advanced ahead of Ramana Maharshi.

25.05.1959 : The Revered Master says that you were at point 'G' and by the time this letter reaches you, you would have come to the point 'H'.
02.06.1959 : I am taking up your points and shall make haste. My wish is to take you up to the Central Region by the time you come here for *Utsav*.

09.02.1960 : I had an inkling of your entering in the Central Region. And on the night of the 5th (i.e. 05.02.1960) you have entered it tearing aside all the stages. This was really your own ability. And I congratulate you for it.

16/18.07.1961: You are trying to enter the first ring of splendour.

09.08.1961 : By God's grace I have placed you in the first ring of splendor on 6th August at 11.30 p.m.

04.01.1962 : I am very happy that by the blessings of Master, you entered the Second Ring on 1st January 1962 at 11 p.m. You had developed an inclination to enter the Second Ring. Congratulations.

10.10.1963 : Now I congratulate you on your stepping in the 4th ring of Central Region on 13th September at 04.58 p.m. Now, you do not need any meditation or any *puja*.

25.09.1968 : Your present condition is that of *The Vision of the Absolute* which is called the condition of *Wasl* (means union) in Sufi terminology.

24.02.1969 : First of all I congratulate you for the fact that your *Laya Avastha in Brahm* (absorbency in *Brahm*) has commenced on 11th of Feb.1969 at 8.25 a.m. All this is due to the Grace of Revered Lalaji Sahab; otherwise a saint of such caliber is found once in hundreds of Years.

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PRACTICE OF MEDITATION MORNING:

Sit in meditation for an hour thinking that Divine Light is present in your heart. Do it in quite a simple and natural way without forcing your mind. Never mind if you do not see the light there. Start with a mere supposition, so to say, and sit meditating in one posture with your attention turned towards the heart in a natural way without any effort to concentrate. Try to be unmindful of the thoughts arising at that time.

EVENING:

Sit for half an hour with a suggestion to yourself that all complexities and impurities including grossness, darkness etc., are going out of the whole system through the backside in the form of smoke or vapors. Do not meditate on those things which we want to get rid of. Simply brush them off.

Just before going to bed at night, offer prayer. The proper and the most effective method of prayer is to sit in a supplicant mood and repeat the same mentally twice or thrice. Then begin to meditate over its true sense and try to get lost into it.

PRAYER

"O Master ! Thou art the real goal of human life.

We are yet but slaves of wishes, putting bar to our advancement.

Thou art the only God and Power to bring me up to that stage."

TEN MAXIMS OF SAHAJ MARG

Rise before dawn. Offer your prayer and puja at a fixed hour, preferably before sunrise, sitting in one and the same pose. Have a separate place and seat for worship. Purity of mind and body should be specially adhered to.

Begin your puja with a prayer for spiritual elevation, with a heart full of love and devotion.

Fix your goal which should be 'complete oneness' with God. Rest not till the ideal is achieved.

Be plain and simple to be identical with nature.

Be truthful. Take miseries as Divine Blessings for your own good and be Thankful.

Know all people as thy brethren and treat them as such.

Be not revengeful for the wrongs done by others. Take them with gratitude as heavenly gifts.

Be happy to eat in constant divine thought whatever you get, with due regard to honest and pious earnings.

Mould your living so as to rouse a feeling of love and piety in others.

At bedtime, feeling the presence of God, repent for the wrongs committed. Beg forgiveness in a supplicant mood, resolving not to allow the repetition of the same.

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